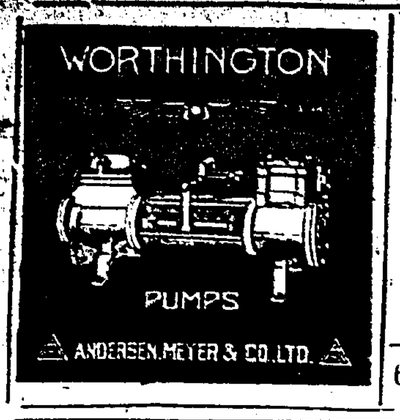

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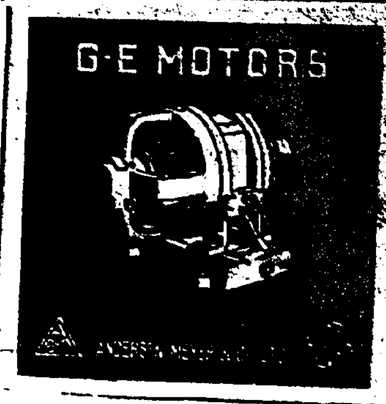

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

IRISH PEACE.

Is the Door Closed?

London, December 19.

Father O'Flannagan has telegraphed to Mr. Lloyd George, declaring that the only road to Irish reconciliation is to allow the Constitution adopted by the Irish people at the last General Election to perform its legitimate functions, and to negotiate a Treaty directly with Mr. De Valera.

The Premier has replied saying a settlement is impossible so long as Sinn Fein demands an Irish Republic and persists in trying to compel a settlement by assassination and violence. He deeply regrets that Father O'Flannagan has closed the door to the counsels of goodwill which were invoked at the beginning of the correspondence.

"TINO" BACK AGAIN.

Great Enthusiasm in Athens.

London, December 19.

There were frantic scenes of enthusiasm in Athens yesterday on the occasion of the return of ex-King Constantine. The Royal party arrived by train from the Gulf of Corinth, the plan of landing at Phalerum being altered at the last moment, owing to the roughness of the sea causing sickness amongst the Royalties. The royal train was preceded by a whistling pilot engine covered with palms and steaming very slowly to enable the masses of Constantinian stalwarts accompanying it to keep up. As soon as the train stopped the public stormed it, jumping on the footboards and swarming on the roofs.

FARROW'S BANK.

Forced to Suspend Payment.

London, December 20.

Farrow's Bank has suspended payment.

LEAGUE ASSEMBLY CLOSES.

Geneva, December 20.

The Assembly of the League of Nations has closed. Mr. Foster (Canada) stated that the cost of the anti-typhus campaign in Eastern Europe was estimated at two million francs. A motion advocating co-operation with the International Red Cross and the Committee for the Relief of War-Stricken Children was adopted. A resolution in favour of the adoption of Esperanto as the League language was shelved.

M. Hymans, in his closing address, said the work so far accomplished by the League showed that it would live

OIL FUEL FOR AMERICA.

Hopes of an Adequate Supply.

Washington, December 19

Mr. Daniels has discussed with members of the United States Shipping Board plans for ensuring a permanent supply of fuel oil for both warships and merchant vessels. Later, Admiral Benson declared that with the Navy Department and the Shipping Board working together, he believed an adequate supply of oil could be obtained.

AMERICAN OCCUPATION OF HAYTI.

A General's Groundless Allegations.

Washington, December 19.

The Naval Court of Inquiry into conditions at Hayti since the American occupation has reported to Mr. Daniels that there are no proper grounds for General Barnett's assertions with regard to the killing of natives.

U. S. FINANCES.

Washington, December 19.

The House of Representatives has passed the Senate Resolution to revive the war Finance Corporation, after deleting the recommendation that Federal Reserve Banks should extend liberal credit to farmers.

FRENCH WIRELESS STATION.

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Paris, December 19.

The most powerful wireless station in the world has been opened at Bordeaux. It is capable of reaching any part of the world.

TO-DAY'S CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

Shanghai, December 20.

Shu Fu-sing, a prominent member of the old Parliament, will leave here for Canton to attend the extraordinary meeting of Parliament which has been convened by the Military Government.

The railway between Wuchung and Changsha is completed and traffic will be opened in January.

Peking, December 20.

The agreement for an American Loan of 50 million gold dollars has been drafted and submitted to the Communications Ministry. The principal clauses are that the loan is to be issued at 95 with 7% interest and 12 millions is to be used for the building of national railways, the famine-stricken people to be employed as labourers, whilst eight millions will be used to organise an Industrial Bank, and the remainder for the disbandment of soldiers.

The Government has decided to ignore the three conditions demanded by Dr. Sun's party for a peace conference.

An agreement has been made between the Communication Ministry and the banks of China and Communications for a loan [illegible] purchase of locomotives and cars, at 8%. It is strictly declared that the loan cannot be used for any other purpose.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

Paris, Dec. 16.

Speaking before the Assembly of the League of Nations, the former French Premier, M. Viviani, stated that Germany according to the letter and spirit of the Covenant can be admitted to the League only after giving guarantees as to her sincere desire to carry out her treaty obligations and the Allies have been waiting for the last two years for such guarantees. The statement was greeted with unanimous applause and Lord Robert Cecil declared himself in perfect agreement with the principle set down by M. Viviani.

London, Dec. 18.

Mr. Puyrredon the Argentine delegate to Geneva, arrived in London and called on Lord Curzon. Interviewed, Mr. Puyrredon explained that Argentina was still a member of the League, although it had left the Assembly. A final decision will be taken at the next Assembly, when Argentina will again insist on the admission on equal terms of all sovereign states.

Geneva, Dec. 18.

Messages show that a surprising feature was the unexpected strength in support of China's election to the Council of the League. The votes for China far exceeded the total cast for Rumania, Sweden and Czecho Slovakia who also put forward candidates for selection. It is believed to be partly due to the excellent record of Dr. Wellington Koo at the Assembly, and partly to members accepting the recommendation of one representative for the Asiatic country. Dr. Wellington Koo informed the Assembly that China did not wish to raise the question of Shantung in the current session but reserves the right to bring up the matter later.

The high cost of running the Secretariat of the League, owing to the large salaries paid, was raised by several speakers at the Assembly. The New Zealand delegate said the cost of living was 35 per cent. higher than in London. Maharaja Nawanagar demanded strict control in the working of the Secretariat, and pointed out the charges did not fall on the League but on the members of it. Sir Saiyid Ahiman supported the criticism. In regard to the Secretary General's salary, many delegates compared it with the emoluments received by cabinet ministers in their countries. Mr. Balfour deprecated comparison. Ultimately the budget was voted unanimously.

At a meeting of the Assembly of the League of Nations, M. Take Jonescu, of Rumania, suggested the formation of an expeditionary corps to aid Armenia. He said that Rumania was ready to co-operate in the creation of such a force. On Lord Robert Cecil's suggestion it was decided to refer the proposal to a special Armenian Committee.

There was considerable discussion in the Assembly in connection with the League's finances. Criticism was levelled at the present system of levying contributions for maintenance on the basis of subscriptions to the Postal Union. It was contended this applied inequitably.

THE EX-GERMAN COLONIES.

Geneva, Dec. 16.

Mandates for the ex-German colonies defined by the Council of the League lay down that the mandatory will have full administrative and legislative powers, supervise the suppression of slave traffic, forced labour, control of arms and munitions, to forbid the supply of alcohol to natives and ensure the natives freedom of conscience and religion. The mandatory shall present an annual report to the Council of the League.

BRITISH EMPIRE EXHIBITION.

London, Dec. 18.

In the House of Lords, Lord Milner, moving the second reading of the British Empire Exhibition Guarantee Bill said it was proposed to hold the exhibition two years hence. It was hoped to get a million pounds guarantee. The Bill passed its second reading.

LADY BOXING PROMOTER.

London, Dec. 19.

The latest entrant to the select circle of boxing promoters is Miss Jane Morgan, sister of the millionaire J. P. Morgan, who signed on Benny Leonard and Ritchie Mitchell to fight fifteen rounds for the championship of the world at Madison Square Garden. The contract was signed after half an hour's chat over tea in the lady's flat on Fifth Avenue. Leonard receives £10,000 win or lose and Mitchell £5,000. The proceeds will be devoted to the relief of the devastated areas in France.

THE EARTHQUAKE.

London, Dec. 19.

Reuter's correspondent at Buenos Aires reports that in Mendoza province 150 people were killed by an earthquake.

CHINESE MINISTER TO LONDON.

London, Dec. 18.

Mr. Alfred Sze, late Chinese Minister to London, was received in audience by His Majesty and presented his letters of recall. The Queen received Mr. and Madame Sze.

FRENCH WAR MINISTRY.

Paris, Dec. 16.

War Minister Lefevre has resigned. M. Ralberti, President of the Finance Committee of the Chamber of Deputies, is to succeed him.

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HONGKONG.

A New Handbook.

From the publishers, Messrs. Kelly and Walsh, we have received a copy of a new handbook on Hongkong and dependencies, which is the work of Mr. R. C. Hurley, one of the oldest and best-known residents of the Colony. Enclosed in a striking cover, with a Union Jack border effect, and containing close on 150 pages, it is the most ambitious work of its kind we have seen [illegible] and those whose lot is cast in this part of the world. There is a deal of historical data regarding the circumstances of the acquisition of the Colony by the British, a detailed account of the opium question, records of the administrations of the various Governors, much information of a general character, a sight-seeing programme and itineraries of six walks on the island from Victoria Gap. There are also a number of illustrations, as well as a plan of the central district and maps both of Hongkong and the New Territories, these latter showing the motor and other roads. It is a most admirable production [illegible] which both the author and the publishers are to be complimented.

BILLIARDS.

Garrison Inter-Mess League.

The result of the matches played during the week ending Saturday last are as follows:—

R.E.'s 1; Garrison Mess 5.

R.G.A. Victoria 5; R.G.A. Kowloon 1.

Warders 2; Wilts Sgts. 4.

Police 3; R.G.A. Stonecutters 3.

R.A.M.C. 0; Petty Officers 6.

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By defeating the Warders away the Wilts jump to the fifth position. The military team fully deserved the points as they were undoubtedly superior to their opponents. Gipson played a good game for the Warders.

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The best match of the week was that between the Police and the Gunners from Stonecutters, the play throughout being of high order. Wilson and Cooper were the best of the Police and Ives played well for the visitors. The division of points was a fair representation of the play.

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The Medicals could not get going against the P.O.'s the latter winning all the games with comparative ease. Denyer struck something like his old form scoring the highest breaks, ie. 29 and 33. Woolman and Thompson were the best of the losers.

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Several of the games between the R.E.'s and the Garrison Mess were very close and had the former exercised a little more care, a draw would have probably resulted. Stroud played well for the winners and Townsend was the pick of the home team.

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The League Table now stands as under:—

	Matches P.	W.	L.	D.	Games For	Ag.	Pts.
R. G. A. Victoria ...	10	9	0	1	48	12	19
P. O's ...	11	7	0	4	49	17	18
Garrison M.	10	6	2	2	36	24	14
R.G.A. Stonecutters ...	9	5	2	2	32	22	12
Wilts Sgts ...	10	5	3	2	34	26	12
Warders ...	10	5	4	1	32	28	11
H.K. Police ...	10	3	3	4	28	32	10
R. E.'s ...	10	2	6	2	21	36	6
R. G. A. Lyemun ...	9	2	6	1	20	31	5
R.A.M.C. ...	10	1	8	1	14	46	3

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The fixture list for the week ending Saturday next, is as follows:—

Wilts. Sgts. v. R. G. A. Stonecutters.

Garrison Mess v. Warders Mess.

R.G.A. Kowloon v. H. R. Police.

R.G.A. Lyemun v. P.O's.

R.A.M.C. v. R.E's.

R.G.A. Victoria—a bye.

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A good game should be witnessed between the Wilts and the "Scutters." The Wilts have showed improved form but a drawn game is most likely.

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The Garrison Mess intend to avenge themselves for the defeat they suffered at the hands of the Warders in the early stages of the competition and on the present form of the two teams the result should be in their favour.

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The P.O's should win their match against the R. G. A. Lyemun, as should the Engineers against the Medicals.

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The Secretaries of the teams will do well to arrange their matches early in the week, otherwise some unexpected results may happen if the fixtures run into the festive season.

NEMO.

DAY BY DAY.

Scaffolding is being erected at the Kowloon Railway Station tower, presumably in preparation for the installation of the long-promised clock.

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The only cases of communicable disease notified last week were [illegible] of plague, diphtheria and enteric (all Chinese). There were eight Chinese [illegible] from influenza.

THE COLONY IN EARLIER DAYS.

X.—Daring Escapes From The Chain-Gangs.

In a previous chapter an account was given of the escape of native prisoners from the gaols, such incidents being common at one time, partly due to the overcrowded state of the prisons. The number of prisoners, though certainly large, was not quite so extensive as this state of things would imply, the fact being that with the growth of the Colony the original accommodation had become indequate.

It was not only or chiefly from the prison buildings, however, that escapes occurred. At the period in question, dating back some half a century, the convicts were employed upon public works, sometimes at a distance from the gaol. This itself gave increased opportunities for escape, and the facilities were increased by the activities of confederates, who contrived to convey files and other implements to the convicts.

A DARING EPISODE.

An occurrence of a daring character took place on December 21, 1872, when a number of long-sentence convicts were working on the Pokfolum Road in charge of two West Indian turnkeys named Darrell and Samuels, whom they attacked and then made their escape.

Some seven years previously one Lee A Yee attacked an esteemed resident, Dr. Kane, in broad daylight. The assault occurred in Caine Road, and the doctor was left for dead after being robbed. Lee A Yee was apprehended and sentenced to four years' imprisonment with hard labour.

After his release he committed another daylight highway robbery with violence and attempted to throw the police officer who arrested him over a precipice. This time he was sentenced to seven years' imprisonment with three floggings of thirty strokes each.

ADDITIONAL FLOGGING FOR ASSAULTING WARDER.

While serving this sentence Lee A Yee, with other convicts, made the daring escape previously referred to. This confirmed offender, who shortly before had received an additional flogging for assaulting a warder, suddenly gave the turnkey Darrell a blow from behind with one of the working implements, inflicting a serious wound on the head. The blow felled to the ground the unfortunate turnkey, who was rendered senseless. Simultaneously with this blow three of the gang knocked down the remaining turnkey, and then made their way over the hill in various directions. A Sikh constable on duty in the Pokfolum Road gave pursuit. One of the convicts, nothing daunted, turned and faced him. While raising the rifle he had taken from one of the turnkeys and taking aim at the constable, he missed his footing and fell over a precipice, where he was picked up insensible. Besides being dangerously assaulted, Darrell had his watch stolen.

NEARLY A MAIDEN ASSIZE.

Lee A Yee and another of the convicts were subsequently apprehended. Curiously enough it happened that the ensuing Sessions nearly constituted a maiden assize, because there was no case for trial except that of the escaped convicts, which had to stand over for the evidence of the wounded warder. This was sufficient to save the expense of buying the Sheriff a pair of white gloves, the traditional emblem of a maiden assize. So ended the January sessions.

THE SENTENCES.

Tried at the February Sessions for the murderous assaults upon the turnkeys and for escaping from custody Lee A Yee was sentenced to a further term of ten years' penal servitude and to [illegible] cangue, whipped, the other convict, Low A Tuck, being awarded an additional two years' imprisonment.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

Resumed To-day.

The December Criminal Sessions were continued to-day before His Honour Mr. Justice J. R. Wood.

Wong Man Cheung was indicted on the charge of robbing one Chan Cheong on November 6th of $49 in money and a quantity of clothing and jewellery to the value of $200.

Mr. Dyer Ball prosecuted for the Crown, while the prisoner was defended by Mr. T. N. Chan, instructed by Mr. A. E. Hall.

Prisoner pleaded not guilty.

The following jury were empanelled:—Messrs. J. Brooke (foreman), F. Travers, A. Allison, P. Lauder, F. O. Gourdin, K. M. Fetterly, V. Gonzalves.

Mr. Dyer Ball said the robbery took place shortly after midnight of November 5th in the village of Ho Mun Tin, just south of the new Portuguese settlement. Chan Cheong was asleep in his matshed with his wife, and they were aroused by robbers forcing their way into the place, carrying torches, and it was said that one of the men had a dagger in his hand. Chan and his wife were terrified and they gave up their keys and allowed their place to be ransacked. The robbers took a great deal of money and clothing. Although the presence of the robbers in that matshed was fairly known to the villagers, no one came to the assistance of Chan. About an hour after the robbery the owner of the matshed summoned up courage and went and reported the matter to the Police Station. Neither Chan nor his wife could identify the robbers. It so happened that at 12.30 a.m. that day another man, called Chan Kwong, who lived in another matshed not far away, was roused by the barking of dogs. Chan Kwong is a vegetable gardener, and naturally he went out to see what was the matter, thinking that some one was stealing his vegetables. He did not see anybody on the road, but whilst on the road he saw a figure in the middle of his vegetable garden. The figure was making its way diagonally across the field. He questioned him and seeing that he was carrying a bundle on his shoulder, he jumped to the conclusion that it was his vegetables. The man replied that he would take the gardener to the place from where he got the bundle. The gardener's dogs were pressing the man and the latter dropped his bundle, and tried to escape. The gardener arrested the fellow, and he turned out to be the prisoner. The gardener took up the bundle and promptly took the man to the Police Station. Shortly afterwards the man whose matshed was robbed had himself arrived and to his great surprise found his goods in the bundle. The prisoner, when charged at the Magistracy, made no statement. At the Police Station he said a certain friend of his asked him to meet him at the matshed of Wong Nei Wun, where the Police found some more property already stolen and some torches. There were two charges against the prisoner. The second count was that he received the property, well knowing that the same was stolen.

The owner of the matshed said when the robbers came in he was frightened. He asked them to save his eye and to take whatever they wanted from his belongings. One of the robbers replied that he was poor and he only wanted money.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 3s./1 3/16d.

LIGHTING-UP TIME.

Lighting-up time to-day is 5.44 p.m.

THE WEATHER.

2 p.m. Barometer—29.97. Temperature—68. Humidity—[illegible]

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GENERAL NEWS.

ARMAMENTS INVITATION TO AMERICA.

It is officially stated that the United States has received an invitation from the League of Nations to name a delegate to act in a consultative capacity with the League Commission on Armaments.

GRAIN FREIGHTS IN CHINA.

The Peking Chamber of Commerce has been asked for an explanation of the fact that, although railway charges for the transportation of grain were considerably reduced in order to assist the poor, prices have actually risen.

PHILIPPINES' RIGHTS AT POSTAL CONGRESS.

The International Postal Congress in plenary session has approved the request of Jose E. Topacio, delegate from the Philippines, to recognize the Philippine Islands, and granted them a vote in future congress with all the rights and privileges of other nations in postal affairs.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

JUTLAND DESPATCHES PUBLISHED.

London, Dec. 17.

The Jutland despatches have been published by the Admiralty in a volume of six hundred pages. They include Lord Jellicoe's description of the battle and narratives of squadron commanders. Lord Jellicoe's covering despatch of June 18th says he did not feel any anxiety about the advanced position of Lord Beatty's force because of its superior gun-power and speed. Lord Beatty adopted the correct and only possible course when he sighted the enemy battle cruisers by engaging them and endeavouring to keep between the enemy and his base. A disturbing feature of the battle cruiser action was the fact that five German, battle cruisers, engaging six British battle cruisers, supported by the long range fire of four of the Queen Elisabeth class, were able to sink the Queen Mary and the Indefatigable. Facts contributing to British losses were the indifferent armour protection, and the disadvantage of light, but German gunnery in the early stages was of the highest standard.

Further the German night time organisation was very good. Their system of recognition of signals was excellent, while ours was practically nil. Their searchlights were superior. The German tactics were those which were always anticipated. The enemy's "turn away" under cover of destroyers is the most difficult move to counter. Admiral Sturdee assisted me greatly in studying this movement and devising a counter. There is no real counter. Nothing but ample time and superior speed can be the answer. This means that unless the fleets meet early in the day it is most difficult if not impossible to fight an action to the finish. The enemy on this occasion did not expect to find our whole fleet present.

The enemy had no time to lay a prepared mine area and not much time to place submarines, although many were present. It is unlikely that in future actions we shall be so favoured, and the element of time therefore will be still more important. It might actually be necessary purposely to delay the close of the action on account of the possibilities afforded by the mine and submarine for preparing a trap on a large scale. This possibility will increase as the enemy submarines increase.

Lord Jellicoe pays a tribute to the flag-officers' handling of the Fleet, and says a feature of the action was the numerous torpedoes which crossed the line without effect. Except as regards the Marlborough all were avoided by skilful handling. The Marlborough herself evaded seven. The results of the action, particularly the knowledge of the unexpected speed of the enemy's Third Squadron, must influence our future tactics. It will not be advisable, for instance, to place the Fifth Battle Squadron in a position removed from support.

The volume includes the German Admiral Scheer's report and says the decisive factor of success which he claims was both directly and indirectly the long range heavy armament of the larger vessels, which caused the greater part of the known losses inflicted on the enemy and enabled the flotillas successfully to attack the main fleet. Admiral Scheer concludes that the large warship, battleship, and cruiser remain the foundation of seapower and should be further developed.

Interesting points in the despatches are the disclosure of the fact that it was the Admiralty that received the information that the German Fleet was coming out and ordered the fleets to sea on the afternoon previous to the battle. Lord Jellicoe fixed the rendezvous for three and separated the fleets into two. The next afternoon Lord Beatty's famous signal, not as variously reported "Follow me, we have got them cold," but "Submit van battleships follow battle-cruisers. We can then cut off the whole of the enemy's battlefleet." On receipt of this, Lord Jellicoe signalled "Second Battle Squadron to follow our battlecruisers." Lord Beatty's signal is timed 7.50 in the evening, not as previously reported, nearer 7.15, which was the crisis of the battle. Lord Jellicoe's order to the Battle Squadron was telegraphed at 8.10. Lord Beatty was meanwhile pushing ahead in order to keep in touch with the enemy fleet, but he only saw them at rare intervals, finally losing touch at 8.40. It appears that after Lord Jellicoe decided not to engage the capital ships in a night action his flotilla leader signalled that he had sighted the enemy's battleships, but this signal was not received on the Iron Duke owing to wireless interference, and von Scheer escaped.

London, Dec. 18.

The Jutland papers did not include any Admiralty summing up. They regarded the experts of to-day as too voluminous in technical detail to enlighten the public with regard to the so-called "Jutland controversy" which was likely to remain unsettled. The papers are unanimous in declaring that Lord Jellicoe has vindicated himself, the despatches showing that the battle was fought in accordance with his tactics, approved by the Admiralty in 1914, including, as part of an accepted battle plan, the famous "Turnaway" of the battle fleet for which Lord Jellicoe had been blamed. What concerns critics most is the disquieting disclosure of the superiority of the Germans in a number of points and the unpreparedness to deal with German skill in employing mines, submarines and torpedoes. It is pointed out there has never been any discussion in Parliament on this most important aspect of the Jutland battle, and it is insisted that the Imperial Defence Committee's inquiry must consider, in future, naval policy in this respect.

NEW YORK'S CRIME WAVE.

New York, Dec. 19.

The city's crime list is steadily swelling. Yesterday morning a wealthy insurance broker who was seen driving home in a luxurious automobile was afterwards found in the gutter with his pockets rifled. He died later in hospital. A taxicab was held up in Central Park and the society woman fare was brutally handled by armed ambushers, who tore off her jewellery and even ripped her stockings searching for concealed notes. In another case two jewellers messengers were robbed of $12,000 in broad daylight. The press is clamouring for police reforms.

New York, Dec. 18.

A Police Lieutenant was killed in boarding a motor car containing men suspected of being concerned in the recent hold-ups. The Lieutenant, though mortally wounded, clung to the board, firing and killing one assailant.

THE IRISH TROUBLE.

London, Dec. 18.

General Macready has issued a proclamation that he has been fully empowered to restore order in the martial law areas of Ireland. Crown forces have his support provided their actions do not exceed what is reasonably necessary to secure order. "If they do so troops committing offences against persons or property of residents, housebreaking, plundering, etc., will be liable to the death penalty.

THE GREEK THRONE.

London, Dec. 18.

The British Government has decided to instruct the Minister at Athens not to have official relations with Constantine, who is shortly due there.

BOLSHEVIK INVASION.

Constantinople, Dec. 18.

Foreigners, including Consuls, have left Tabritz in anticipation of a Bolshevik invasion.

MR. STABB'S RETIREMENT.

Last Night's Dinner.

The dinner given last night at the Kam Ling Restaurant, West Point, by the Chinese bankers and merchants to the Hon. Mr. S. J. Stabb, O.B.E., the retiring General Manager of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, was a big affair. It was the second time in the history of the Colony that the Chinese bankers and merchants had given a dinner to a foreign banker, the previous occasion being dinner to Sir Thomas Jackson, prior to his retirement from the General Managership of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation. The arrangements were admirable, and the health of the guests and of Mr. Stabb was drunk with gusto, Sir Robert Ho Tung's speech being punctuated with applause. There was a large gathering, although a few who had signified their intention of gracing the occasion with their presence could not be present, owing to other pressing engagements. The menu was a specially attractive one, and the oratory was of a convivial character, everything going with a swing.

The Chairman was Sir Robert Ho Tung, LL.D., with Mr. Chan Tin Shan as Deputy Chairman. Among the hosts were also: Hon. Mr. Ho Fook, Dr. S. C. Ho, Messrs. Canton Nonyang Bros. Tobacco Co., Chan In, Chan Kwai Lok, Chang Po Chan, Chan Ngan Ting, Cheung Kee, Cheong Shing Loong, China Overseas Trading Company, Choy Cheong, Choy Kee, Chur Loong, Chun On Insurance Co., Communication Bank, Foo Kee, Fook Hing Bank, Fook Lee and Co., Fook Lee, Fook Tai Cheung, Fung Kong Un, Fung Master and Co., Fung Ping Shan, Fung Tang, Philip Gockchin, Himly and Co., Ho Cheuk, Ho In, Ho Kom Tong, Ho Kwong, Ho Leung, Ho Wing, Hong Tak Bank, Ip Tak and Company, Joo Tek Shing, Ka Fat Bank, Kam Wing Bank, Kin Yuen, R. H. Kotewall, Kung On Wing, Kung Yuen Hong, Kwong Fat Yuen, Kwong Mow Tai, Kwong Wing Sing, Lai Hing, Lau Siu Chuen, Lau Yu Fong, Lo Cheung Shiu, M. K. Lo, W. P. Lowe and Co., Man Hing Cheung and Co., Ming On, Ming Sun Bank, Nam Yuet Wa, Ng Tung Kai, K. L. O'Hoy, On Fat Bank, Shin On Wing, Shu Loong Bank, Shu Fook Shing, Shung Yue Bank, Sincere Company, Soy Kat Bark, Sui Heung Yuen, Sze Hai Tong, The Sun Company, Tai Shun, Tai Yau Bank, Tak Shun Bank, Tin Fook Bank, Tsiat Seng, Tuen Kee, Tung Hing Bank, Wing On Company, Wing Shing Loong, Wing Tak Bank, Wo Cheong, Wo Shing, Wo Hing Lung, Wong Kam Fuk, Yat Loong Bank, Yee Hing Lung, Yiu Kui Yuen, Yue Lee Yuen, Yuen Fat Hong, Yuen Tung Lee, Yuen Tze Oi, Yung Tsze Ming.

The Guests.

Supporting the principal guest were: Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, Hon. Mr. John Johnstone, Messrs. A. H. Barlow, A. H. Compton, P. A. Cox, J. L. Crockatt, G. M. Dodwell, L. Dunbar, G. T. M. Edkins, E. J. Grist, J. Bell Irving, A. O. Lang, N. S. Marshall, G. C. Moxon, L. Pattenden, J. A. Plummer, Lt.-Col. A. Reiss, Mr. A. G. Stephen, Mr. Murray Stewart, Mr. H. P. White, Mr. N. C. Wilson and Mr. G. M. Young.

The Hotel was gaily decorated with flags and flowers, while rich silk hangings graced the entrances. The Band of the Wiltshires added to the pleasure of the evening.

The Menu.

The following was the menu:

Bird's Nest Soup.
Fried Garoupa.
Silver and Gold Pigeon Eggs.
Shark's Fin.
Grilled Snipe.
Chicken Saute & season Vegetable.
Roast Chicken & Pate de foie gras.
Fungus.
Sliced Canton Quail.
Pillau and Congee.
Almond Cream.
Assorted Pastry.

The Toasts.

The Chairman proposed "The King," and Mr. Stabb, "The President of the Republic of China," and when these were honoured the Chairman proposed the health of Mr. Stabb. He said:

Mr. Stabb and Gentlemen,—To my knowledge, this is the second time within the history of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation that the Chinese merchants and bankers in Hongkong have had the happy occasion of doing honour to the Chief of this great institution. I feel I may indulge in some justifiable pride that, on both these occasions, my friends and associates in business have done me the honour to appoint me to preside at so pleasing a function. The first similar occasion was when a former illustrious Chief of the Bank—the late Sir Thomas Jackson—retired from Hongkong in 1920. The second is the impending retirement of yourself, Sir, from the Chief Managership of the Bank. And just as, on the former occasion, we were ever keenly conscious of our approaching loss of a genuine friend, so to-night we feel that we are bidding farewell to one who, ever kind and considerate, was always ready to give his best in the furtherance of the commercial and industrial prosperity of the Colony. In the same way as Sir Thomas Jackson is now enshrined in the hearts of Chinese merchants as a banking genius, as, I venture to think, our honoured guest this evening will occupy an abiding place in the memory of the Chinese mercantile community of Hongkong.

I have had the privilege of knowing Mr. Stabb for many years in business and out of business, and I only wish I could give adequate expression to my appreciation of his sterling qualities. On his worth as the successful manager of a great financial institution, it is unnecessary for me to enlarge.

As you know, another massive structure is building as an annex to the stately pile so well known to Hongkong business men as the "Hongkong and Shanghai," in order to provide accommodation for its ever-increasing business; and I would point to its solid pillars and granite walls as a symbol of the Bank's financial stability and as an enduring monument of Mr. Stabb's management, conducted with such conspicuous ability and signal success.

The great war has taught us many lessons, and not the least valuable one is the realisation of the marvellously delicate mechanism of national and international finance. A little vacillation, a little hesitancy, a little doubt preventing prompt action—when prompt action was demanded—during the early days of the world crisis in the fateful month of August in 1914, might have involved the Bank and the Colony in a financial catastrophe. It is true that you were not here at that time; but your advice was available to the Consulting Board in London, and at the Head Office you had the loyal co-operation of so capable a lieutenant as Mr. A. G. Stephen, who, I am glad to see, is with us to-night. I feel certain Mr. Stephen will prove equal to any of his predecessors. His business capacity has been proved by the very able manner in which he managed the important interests of the Bank at Shanghai during recent years. I recall the,

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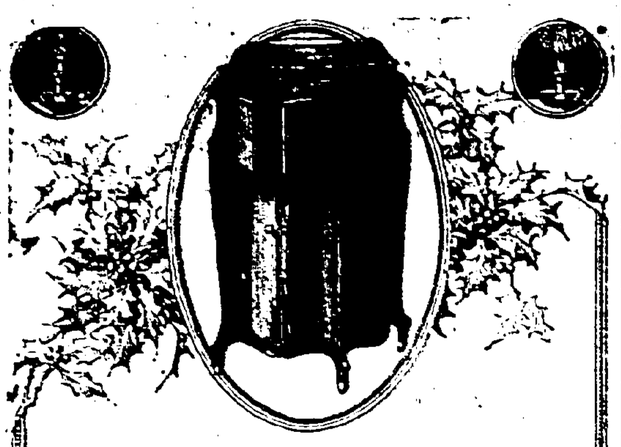

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MR. STABB'S RETIREMENT.

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speech of the Chairman of the Hongkong Stock Exchange on Armistice Day, that the members of the Exchange had to deal in millions with the powerful assistance of your Bank at the outbreak of war. Similarly the financing of commercial and trading transactions in Hongkong must run into colossal figures. But the Colony happily emerged from that critical period without any disastrous results. It affords me pleasure to recall His Majesty the King's recognition of your services by appointing you an Officer of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire—an honour which, I am sure, you will feel all the happier in enjoying in the association of Mrs. Stabb as a Member of the same Order. You are shortly to leave Hongkong. We are met here this evening to tender to you and to Mrs. Stabb our best wishes that in retirement in your home land you will live in health and happiness and the enjoyment of all that make life worth living in the full consciousness that your duty has been well and truly done. Now, Gentlemen, let us raise our glasses and drink to the health of Mr. Stabb.

The toast was drunk with hearty musical honours.

Mr. Stabb, responding, said: Sir Robert Ho Tung and Gentlemen—I wish to express my great appreciation of the honour which the Chinese merchants and bankers have done me this evening, and I thank you all for the cordial response you have made to the toast. Sir Robert's remarks about myself are flattering in the extreme, and I take them with a grain of salt—in fact as a case of "De mortuis nil nisi bonum." Gentlemen, in your entertaining me I regard it as an honour to the great Bank to which I belong and which I leave with the greatest regret. The Hongkong Bank belongs to this Colony, and I venture to say has played a very important part not only in the development of the Colony but also in the interest of British prestige and trade. (Applause). Not only in this Colony but in this part of the world—not only British trade but trade generally. I take no credit to myself for the success attained by the Bank during my term of office. It is not due to the individual efforts of the Chief Manager, but is accounted for by the co-operation of a loyal and efficient staff, and I to this staff as a whole you are doing honour to-night—and I know they will appreciate it. My regret at leaving the Bank is almost equalled by my regret at leaving Hongkong. I have spent many happy years here and made many true friends, and I have looked upon it as a time when I am departing at a time when great developments are about to take place and that in the future Hongkong will be of much greater importance even than it is at present, which is saying a very great deal. In that future extension and development I know the Chinese bankers and merchants and community generally will play a very large and important part, as they have done in the past; and it is gratifying to feel that they have such a friendly feeling towards the Bank. I can assure them that that feeling is cordially reciprocated. If there is one thing I regret it is having no knowledge of the Chinese language. It is a real loss not being able to talk to them personally. If I had that accomplishment I am certain the Chinese would have given me very useful lessons with regard to the many intricate exchange problems at which they are such past masters. (Applause). Two days ago I was looking at a photograph taken of Hongkong—I think in the early sixties. It was of the Praya. There were one or two buildings—three or four hongs—I think it must have been of Des Voeux Road. I think Ewo was there, and several other places. There was no Bank in those days. About 20 years later our present building was erected. It was called "T.J's Folly." Twenty years later again we find it very much too small for us. I am not talking now of the Bank but of the business of the place. Jardine's had large palatial buildings, though now shut off from the sea front. Many others have large buildings now and in another few years there will be more. I think the possibilities of this place are enormous. There is room for all of us, Chinese and foreigners, and I think if we pull together the success of merchants and bankers is assured. I would like to thank Sir Robert Ho Tung for his kind references to my wife, and also heartily to endorse his remarks about my successor, Mr. Stephen. If Mr. Stephen were not present I should enlarge very considerably on his many sterling qualities. (Applause). But they will disclose themselves as time goes on, and I shall spare his blushes. In concluding these few remarks, I wish again to express my sincere thanks for the very great kindness and hospitality shown me this evening, and I wish Chinese bankers, merchants and community generally very many prosperous and happy years in this most delightful Colony. One of my regrets is that I am not an orator of sufficient capability to tell you all what I think of you. I wish I could. I thank you very much indeed, gentlemen. I will now ask you to drink an old toast we used to drink in Saigon, to our hosts, I think "Nam sang" was what we used to call it.

The visitors honoured the toast, and the Vice-Chairman, Mr. Chan Tin-shan, speaking in Chinese, asked Mr. M. K. Lo to welcome the other guests.

Mr. M. K. Lo proposed "Our Other Guests." He expressed pleasure at their presence and thanked them for assisting the Chinese to do Mr. Stabb honour. He said:

The Vice-Chairman, who does not speak English, has requested me to address, on his behalf, a few words of welcome to our other honoured guests of this evening. It is not affectation on my part to say that, while appreciating keenly the honour done to me by the Vice-Chairman's request, I feel the greatest possible diffidence in undertaking this task. For I see before me the leading representatives of most branches of life which make up the thriving Colony of which we are justly proud: representatives of Bankers, shipowners, merchants and lawyers. I feel it impossible to do justice to such a brilliant constellation of guests.

Well, Gentlemen, we all realize what an important, not to say vital part, which Bankers now play in the prosperity and well-being of our present day civilisation.

That the Chairman, in his eloquent speech, has just reminded you, what an extremely delicate and complicated machinery is International Finance and Credit, and how, at the beginning of the great war, its collapse and destruction was prevented by the genius of British bankers. It is obvious that those whose business it is to manage and control large banking institutions must be men of decision, knowledge, honesty and integrity. We rejoice, therefore, to find among our guests to-night such men as Mr. Crockatt Mr. Marshall and Mr. Wilson as representatives of leading Banks here, and although we are bidding farewell to the striking personality of the head of the premier Bank in Hongkong, we extend to his very worthy successor, Mr. Stephen, our warmest welcome.

As regards the shipping and merchant hongs, it is superfluous for me to say much. To them, in a large measure, we owe the commercial vitality of this port, and its enviable position as one of the greatest shipping and commercial centres in the world.

We are fortunate indeed in having among us not only the heads of the two "princely houses," but also representatives of so many other leading firms.

The Great War has effected a revolutionary change, not only in material things, but in man's ideas and outlook, and it seems to me that one result of this change, whether for good or evil, is man's altered conception of the basic principles of human society in general, and of the relation of capital and labour in particular. And here I desire to sound just a personal note.

Some time ago I had the great pleasure of meeting the Hon. Mr. J. Johnstone in connection with an industrial dispute. I found him kindness itself, refreshingly open-minded and entirely sympathetic with the men's desires and aspirations. And when we have employers of the type of Mr. Johnstone in Hongkong, I feel that the future is unclouded, and that, with the signal "All clear ahead," Hongkong will sail in her calm seas of commercial prosperity to her bright destiny.

And last, but not least, I come to the distinguished members of my own profession. And here, I feel more at ease, for I have already received so much kindness from them that I know I shall be forgiven not only for my commissions but for my omissions in my reference to them.

I believe it is getting to be more or less a truism in England that the legal profession is the most maligned and at the same time most trusted of the professions. The public are very fond of making cheap jokes at their expense, but when there is anything difficult to do, they always turn to the lawyers, and they have never turned in vain. I hope that in Hongkong we are more appreciated, and in any case seeing that solicitors like Mr. Grist are always overwhelmed with work, we can imagine how essential they are to the Colony.

I feel I have already taken up more of your time than I should, but before I sit down, I desire to say just one word about another prominent member of the Hongkong community—namely the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, who has honoured us with his presence this evening. A man of extraordinary versatility, his activities embrace such diverse subjects as St. John's Ambulance Brigade, in which he is the Corps Superintendent, St. George's Society, the Automobile Association, and Constitutional Reform. He is, as you all know, the Chairman of the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce, and together with the Hon. Mr. J. Johnstone, represented Hongkong at the Shanghai Conference. I think it is no exaggeration to say that he is one of the most striking figures in our public life, and the Colony is greatly indebted to him for all his public services. And now I ask those of you who have the honour of being hosts this evening to join with me in drinking a bumper to our other guests, coupling with the toast the name of the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak. (Applause).

The Hon. Mr. P. Holyoak said he could not tell Sir Robert Ho Tung and the members of the Chinese banking community and the Chinese merchants who were the hosts of the evening how deeply sensible he was of the compliment they had paid him in asking him to respond to the toast of "The other Guests" and coupling his name with it. He assured them that he was deeply sensible of the honour paid him, not in a personal sense but because he happened to be Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce in Hongkong, and therefore represented almost all the great interests in Hongkong. He fully recognised that the compliment was paid in spite of the criticisms that were levelled against that body, for the work that it had done for the community here. He wished to say also how much they appreciated the honour that the Chinese bankers had done them in asking the guests to join them in honouring one whom they all delighted to honour. (Hear, hear). He would have another occasion to tell Mr. Stabb exactly what a few of them thought of him, at no distant date, and he would therefore not trespass after the excellent manner the Chairman had referred to Mr. Stabb's work in the commerce and development of the Colony. Speaking on behalf of the guests present, he was confident that he was voicing the unanimous opinion of all when he welcomed this opportunity of meeting in a common cause. Co-operation was the spirit of the age. It was the inevitable result of the war. Co-operation in any community could not come without mutual understanding, and such gatherings as that swept away the cobwebs of misunderstanding which so often broke common friendships and common interests, and they led to deeper and profounder understandings which must draw them closer and closer together in the future. On behalf of the guests he asked them to drink a bumper toast to the hosts, coupled with the names of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman.

The Chairman responded, which concluded the proceedings.

Mr. Stabb's Departure.

Mr. Stabb is leaving by the s.s. Colombia on 29th inst. for San Francisco, after thirty years' residence in the East. He joined the Bank 34 years ago, in 1886, being first in the New York office. He came out to Bombay in 1891, and saw service later in the Singapore, Shanghai and Saigon branches. He came to Hongkong first in 1903. He was made sub-Manager in 1909, acting Chief Manager in 1910 and Chief Manager in 1911. His service here has been broken by one or two short periods, one when he went to the London Office early in the war. Mr. A. G. Stephen, Shanghai Manager, relieved him here then, and it is Mr. Stephen who now succeeds him as Chief Manager.

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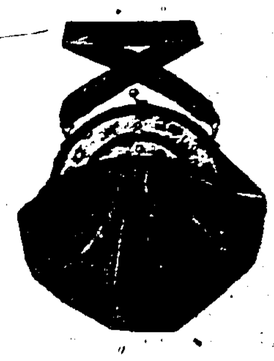

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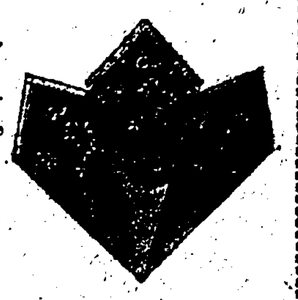

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The name Bostock is sufficient guarantee of a high class performance, but an added inducement to visit Kowloon will lie in the fact that the Company has been augmented by a number of new artistes who have never been seen in Hongkong before. These include "The Flying Arkos" who do a rather sensational act; Signor Marasso, jockey; "The Floretty Trio" who perform on the trapeze; Mdlle Stella and troupe of performers; the Three Nelson Brothers, in a Roman Ring Act; classical dancers, comedy jugglers, lady riders, clowns, and all the usual entertainers seen at a travelling exhibition. There are quite a number of old favourites among the members of the Company, and, judging from the programme, one can be assured of an enjoyable entertainment.

Performances will be given twice daily, at 4 p.m. and 9.15 p.m., and prices of admission are stated in the advertisement. Booking is now open at Moutries.

THE BANDMAN COMEDY COMPANY.

Diverting First Night.

The Bandman Comedy Company opened its programme at the Theatre Royal last night with that successful production "The Rotters." Judged by strict rules of conduct the characters in the piece are a whole pack of rotters, but somehow they are such delightful rotters. The daughters of the Councillor J. P. are continually saying such things to Charlie, the chauffeur, that we ought to feel severely shocked; and yet we cannot find it in our hearts to be angry with the jolly young damsels, whose very candour disarms criticism.

The comedy centres around a newly-rich local big-wig, Councillor Clugston, who runs his household upon prim lines to bolster up his reputation for Respectability, which he relies upon to carry him into the Mayoral Chair. But son and daughters kick over the traces, the former being arrested for assaulting the police after a convivial night, while Miss Clugston promptly makes love to the new chauffeur until her young sister appears upon the scene, expelled from school for "flighty demmynure," as her unlettered father expresses it. Then come a little display of jealousy, sour grapes and a conspiracy to shield Estelle, the younger daughter, from her father's wrath by intercepting the schoolmistress's letter announcing the expulsion. Finally, it comes out that all the characters are tarred, Mrs. Clugston having been previously married unknown to her husband, whose previous wife suddenly astonishes the family by appearing upon the scene to claim her alimony, having obtained a divorce years before. Charlie, who turns out to be an impecunious member of the Upper Ten, is then approved by the Councillor as suitor for his daughter Winnie, but the engagement cannot be ratified at once because Charlie also is married, it being conveniently explained that the decree obtained by his wife will be made absolute in a few days' time.

Mr. Norman Thompson as the North Country Councillor and Miss Beryl Barraclough as his ludicrously sentimental wife provided roars of laughter, the dialect helping, while Miss Violet Blyth Pratt and Miss Nigua Lewis as the vivacious daughters were charming. Mr. Carl Lawson as the chauffeur was excellent, and the other parts were suitably represented.

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NEWSPAPER OFFICE RAIDED.

A Canton Incident.

Running a newspaper in Canton is a dangerous job, according to the *Canton Times*, which says:—The Seventy-two Guild *Commercial Journal*, of which Mr. Lo Siu Ao is the editor, complained to the Canton Press Association yesterday that at nine o'clock, last Sunday evening, December 19, its office was invaded by plain clothes men who, claiming to be soldiers, overturned its printing office, doing damage and causing inconvenience. The paper was unable to appear yesterday, as four of its men were arrested and detained at the Police Station until early the next morning. Three visitors to the office were also arrested.

It later appeared that some soldiers of Chu Chuck-man were sent to invade the *Kwok Wah Pao*; but the soldiers were ignorant and illiterate, misreading the sign of Seventy-two Guilds and raiding the wrong place. Chu Chuck Man, however, soon explained the matter. The Seventy-two Guilds Journal did not understand why its men were not released by the Police as soon as the error was realized. The Police forced the wronged men and the journal to obtain security before releasing the victims knowing well that there was no wrong on the part of the arrested.

For a time it looked as if all the Canton newspapers would be suspended again, this time by their own will, as some have suggested during a meeting of the Press Association that such action might be taken as a protest against the lawlessness committed by the armed forces against unarmed and peaceful citizens and legitimate business.

Both the Military Government and the Provincial Government are now investigating the matter.

The *Kwok-Wah Pao* and *Sun Pao* have made similar complaints to the Association, they having been interfered with last week. The Seventy-two Guilds *Journal* is appearing again to-day, according to plan.

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P. R. WALSHAM,
Hon. Secretary and Treasurer to the Min River Conservancy.
Foochow, 30th November, 1920.

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NOTICE.

In consequence of the work of constructing the road from Pokfulam Road to Victoria Road, the Victoria Road will be closed to traffic from Friday, the 17th instant until further notice between the hours of 7 a.m. and 4 p.m. each day.

W. CHATHAM,
Director of Public Works.
Public Works Department,
Hongkong, 18th December, 1920.

NOTICE.

CHINESE CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.

On and after 16th January next for a period of one year a Surtax for Famine Relief of one tenth on all collections of revenue made by Maritime and Native Customs—except Tonnage Dues—will be levied.

Shipments to China made prior to 16th January, 1921, will be exempt from this Surtax.

W. G. LAY,
Commissioner of Chinese Customs,
Kowloon and District.
B.O. Inspector General of Chinese Customs.
York Buildings,
Hongkong, 18th December, 1920.

THE ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

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It is hoped to carry out the following programme:—

25th, 26th and 27th Dec.

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26th Dec. Afternoon.

Mixed Foursomes. Entrance Fee $1 each pair.

27th Dec. Morning.

Men's Medal Competition (with H'cap) on Old Course.

Ladies. Bogey Competition (with H'cap) on 1st nine holes of New Course.

27th Dec. Afternoon.

Ladies' Driving and Men's Driving. Approaching & Putting and Clock Golf Competitions on part of New Course. Open to Ladies and Men.

Post entries to all events, further details of which will be found on entry lists.

Winners of events held on the 27th Dec. will be presented with prizes.

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO. LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that Certificate for 2 Shares Numbers 25592/25593 issued on 22nd May 1894 in the name of Ismail Pillay Madar has been declared lost, and should the same not be produced before 7th January 1921, it shall be deemed cancelled and of no effect.

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THE SECOND ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Offices of the Company, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 23rd December, 1920, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of receiving a statement of accounts and the report of the General Managers for the year ended 30th September, 1920, and electing a consulting Committee and Auditors.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from FRIDAY the 17th December 1920 until THURSDAY the 23rd December, 1920, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 7th December, 1920.

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WEDNESDAY, 22nd Dec. 1920.
XMAS EVE, FRIDAY, 24th Dec. 1920.
BOXING DAY, MONDAY, 27th Dec. 1920.
WEDNESDAY, 29th Dec. 1920.
NEW YEAR'S EVE, FRIDAY 31st Dec. 1920.
and
NEW YEAR'S DAY, SATURDAY, 1st JANUARY, 1921.

HONGKONG HOTEL.

DINNER DANCE
XMAS NIGHT, SATURDAY, 25th December, 1920.

HONGKONG HOTEL.

NEW YEAR'S EVE.
FRIDAY, 31st December, 1920.

The attention of patrons is drawn to the fact that the usual dance will not be held at the Hotel on the above date, as the entire accommodation has been booked from 9.30 p.m. for the "AT HOME" to be given by Lt. Col. J. R. Wyndham and Officers of the 2nd. Battalion, The Duke of Edinburgh's (Wiltshire Regiment).

NOTICE.

LADIES RECREATION CLUB.

The Ladies Tennis Singles Open Championship Challenge Cup will be played for during January and February. Any lady may enter who is a member of any Tennis Club in the Colony. Names of intending competitors *must be sent in to the Secretary* of the Ladies Recreation Club through the Secretaries of their respective clubs, not later than December 25th 1920, accompanied by their entrance fees of $2. each.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE ADMIRAL LINE.

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having arrived from New York via ports, on 17th December, consignees are hereby notified that their cargo is being landed at their risk into the Hazardous and or Extra-Hazardous Godowns of The Hon Shan Godown Co., 16 & 17 Kennedy Town, Praya, Hongkong, and stored at consignee's risk.

Consignees of cargo must produce an Import permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading will be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged cargo is to be left in the Godowns where it will be examined at 10 a.m. on 22nd inst. by the Co's Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard and Douglas.

All claims must be presented within thirty days of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized. No claim will be recognized after the goods have left the Godowns, and cargo undelivered on and after 23rd December, will be subject to rent.

No fire insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately.

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Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 27th Dec., will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 10th Jan., 1921 or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
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WATER RETURN.

Level and Storage of water in Reservoirs on Dec. 1, 1920.

CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS LEVEL.

	1919.	1920.
Tytam	5.2 Below overflow	6.0 Below overflow
Tytam Brewash	14.10 Below overflow	20.2 Below overflow
Tytam Intermediate	3.21 Above overflow	Level with overflow
Tytam Tuk	13.0 Below overflow	13.1 Below overflow
Wongneichong	3.2 Below overflow	14.3 Below overflow
Pokfulam	5.2 Below overflow	0.12 Above overflow

STORAGE IN MILLIONS AND DECIMALS OF GALLONS.

	1919	1920
Tytam	358.12	333.70
Tytam Brewash	1.53	2.51
Tytam Intermediate	130.77	136.30
Tytam Tuk	1,120.63	1,120.32
Wongneichong	1.13	13.53
Pokfulam	13.14	34.15
Total	1,721.30	1,387.36

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of Nov.

	1919.	1920.	
Consumption	137.50	225.87 M	gallons
Estimated population	227,000	230,000	
Consumption per head per day	25.7	24.0	Gallons

Constant supply to all districts during Nov. of both 1919 and 1920.

KOWLOON WATERWORKS LEVEL.

	1919.	1920.
Kowloon Gravitating Reservoir	2.3 Below overflow	1.7 Above overflow

STORAGE IN MILLIONS AND DECIMALS OF GALLONS.

	1919.	1920.
Kowloon Gravitating Reservoir	329.31	340.30

Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of N.v.

	1919	1920	
Consumption	42.00	49.95 M	gallons
Estimated population	234,000	238,000	
Consumption per head per day	15.7	16.5	gallons

The Government Analyst's reports show that the water is excellent quality.

A. H. HOLLINGSWORTH.
Water Authority.

WORLD OF SPORT.

J. B. Bell is reported to be tired already of travelling from and to Glasgow to play for Chelsea, and would like a re-engagement with a League club nearer home. Will he return to Hampden? As an amateur he would, of course, be eligible were Chelsea to release him.

Mr. Jack Callaghan has offered a purse of £2000 for a match between Frank Goddard and Bombardier Wells, on the distinct understanding that there shall be a winner's and loser's end of 60 and 40 or 75 and 25 per cent., whichever division is suitable to the men.

It is understood that the Oxford and Cambridge Golfing Society hope to fulfil their promise to tour the States late next summer. Their visit will be made to coincide with the American championships, and the old 'Varsity men, who include some of our leading amateurs, will enter for these.

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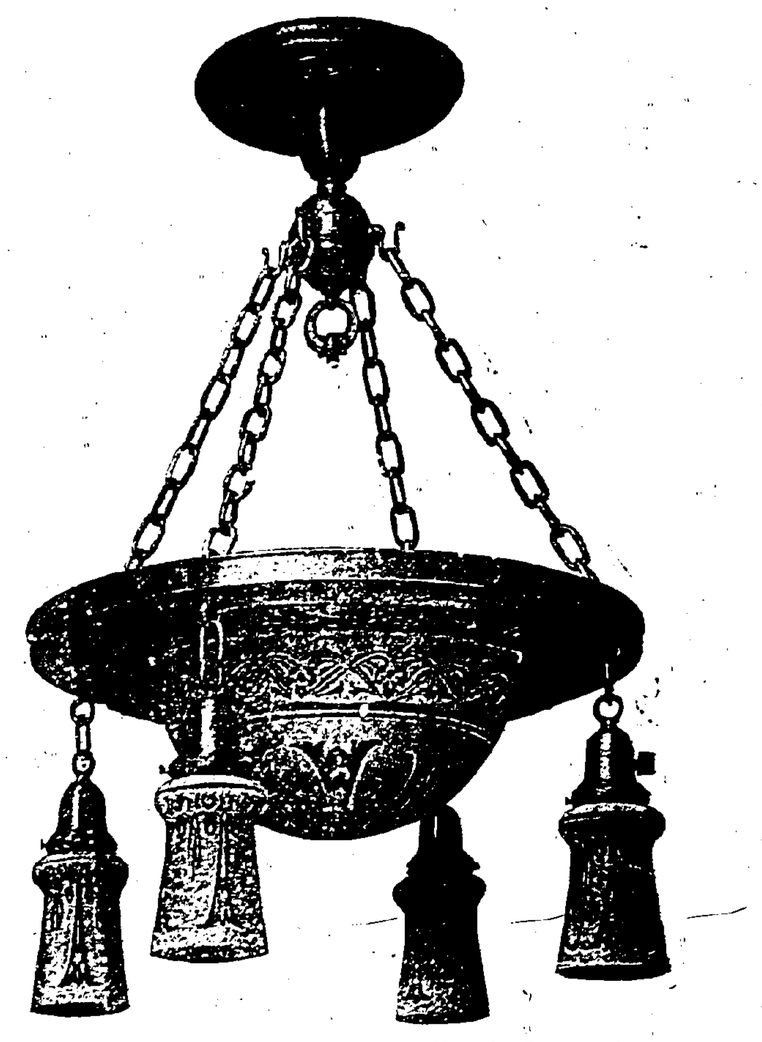

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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1920.

THE WORLD IN CONFERENCE.

We are hearing a lot these days about the League of Nations and certain it is that the meetings of the Assembly now being held at Geneva have been productive of much international action. The discussion on the question of armaments was important and interesting and among yesterday's cable news was a message that told us that China had been elected one of four non-permanent members of the Council, securing no fewer than 21 votes out of 38. Well might Reuter describe this as a "flattering result," and Dr. Wellington Koo, whose energetic and sympathetic personality has made the Chinese delegation so popular, will deserve well at the hands of his countrymen for having brought China to so high a position in the international court of the world. The position of China is particularly interesting, because she has not yet become a signatory to the Peace Treaty. Her attitude to that document has been dictated by her feeling on the question of the Shantung Peninsula, though it speaks volumes for her open-mindedness that she is playing a leading part in the League's business whilst disagreeing with the European Powers' viewpoint regarding Tsingtau. China's request has been that the whole matter be handed over to the League of Nations for final decision, and it is a request that should have the hearty support of all. Japan, on the other hand, prefers direct negotiations between the two countries and there the matter would seem to rest for the moment at something like a deadlock. But as the League gets into better working order and as its power increases such positions will succumb to its influence and the causes of much of the present international misunderstanding will be dissipated.

One can be quite optimistic about the future of the League, despite all that its opponents and the pessimists have said. Nothing ever came to perfection in a day and the building of the League into a strong international body, able to control and keep the peace of the world and at same time dispense justice, must be a question of time and patience. One can already see very tangible results of the League's formation and one can discern a stronger tendency to submit questions to peaceful discussion than ever existed before. In an assembly comprising the representatives of almost every country in the world there is bound to be a growth of sympathy and understanding. It could scarcely be otherwise. And it would seem that America is waking up to the fact that she ought to be in with the other nations, too. We were reading the other day a comment in one of the American papers which stated that before another meeting of the League of Nations, Democrats and Republicans must bury their differences and permit the United States to have an official representative to protect American interests. America cannot afford to be absent when the nations of the world gather to discuss their war-bred and war-breeding problems. At Geneva, the comment went on, there will be more major causes of discord than harmony. France and Belgium must deposit their new military treaty of defence; France will oppose the admission of Germany into the League, while most of the other Powers favour it; there is no possibility of a common understanding among the members of the League about Russia; seriously conflicting views will arise about the amount and method of collection of the war indemnity; Italy is in a state of tragic discontent; France has taxed herself to the limit and is not paying her way; exchange rates are falling everywhere; imperialism is rife among the smaller nations, akin to Serbia, as possible sources of a world catastrophe. In an environment not more dangerous, the World War was made. America had no understanding of the frequent signals that heralded the approach of the late conflict. America felt no interest in European intrigue. Hence America was not in a position to take action to prevent the war and was eventually dragged into it.

To permit another such situation to arise would be foolhardy. America is far more interested than any other country in keeping Europe permanently at peace. Therefore, the United States must be fully informed about trans-Atlantic plots and rivalries. Not otherwise can America know when to use her paramount influence to check European discord before it becomes an inevitable cause of war. There is only one way to adopt this policy of self-protection. That way is for Democrats and Republicans to compromise their differences and get into an assembly of nations. If the name of the League of Nations has to be changed to permit this compromise, let it be done as soon as possible. If more reservations must be adopted to make an agreement possible, let us hear them at once. The important thing is to start America keeping tab on Europe's war makers. Patriotism, self-interest and common sense all call for this course of action.

NOTES & COMMENTS.

Japan's Population.

It is not a little curious to contrast the views that have just been expressed by a Japanese vernacular journal, the *Yamato*, and a Japanese official, Dr. Shimamura Hiroshi, on the subject of their country's birth-rate. The *Yamato* evinces considerable disquietude because, "contrary to the general belief, the population in the country is on the decrease rather than on the increase," and the journal proceeds to inculcate the familiar theory that a falling population means national decay, Rome in olden times and France to-day being duly brought into the picture to enforce the lesson. An assertion of a decreasing Japanese population is a matter for surprise, and we see that the *Yomiuri* states subsequently that the decrease is only relative. This means, in reality, that while the balance of births over deaths is not so large as formerly it is still distinctly large. It is so large that, as Dr. Hiroshi points out, it amounts to something like three-quarters of a million in a year, which naturally gives the doctor reason to pause as to what is going to become of them all, particularly if they are to be excluded from other countries, as the Californians are seeking to do. As it is Japan is more densely populated per square mile than the United Kingdom, and her vital statistics, from the standpoint of fecundity and excess over deaths compare favourably with those of the Western Powers. Under these circumstances it is improbable that the impending Japanese census will disclose cause for concern on the score of diminishing population.

British Boxers.

Only last week news came of the summary defeat of Joe Beckett at the hands of the American, Frank Moran, and now the cable tells that the Frenchman, Balzac, has vanquished the British middle-weight champion, Tom Gummer. Moran has occupied a place in the front rank for a long time now, and several years ago stayed out the whole of the allotted distance with Jack Johnson when the big negro was at the top of his form. This speaks volumes for his mettle, but he was by inference past his best. Beckett, on the other hand, having in considerable measure retrieved himself after his sensational defeat by Carpentier, was presumed to be again improving, and he hoped to establish a definite claim to another meeting with the famous Frenchman by a victory over Moran. Now, it looks as if that one-round defeat of a year ago will have to stand as it is, the result of Beckett's latest clash impelling the reluctant conclusion that Britain must wait longer still in unearthing that *rara avis* a first-class heavy-weight. Gummer's defeat is not surprising. Balzac, if not on the Carpentier plane, has proved himself to be an accomplished exponent. Gummer, a Service or ex-Service man, has the Army boxer's vigour and pluck, but likewise the lack of finesse which in many cases, it has to be said, is also characteristic of Army boxers. For the present, then, Britons must console themselves with the reflection that in Lewis and Wilde they have representatives worthy to uphold the Union Jack against the world.

The Ghouls.

A few days ago at Shanghai two malefactors paid the last penalty for a crime of the kind which constrains the most humane-minded to feel that capital punishment demands a place in the scheme of things. Sordidness marked every feature of the case. Having got into debt through extravagance, the offenders took the life of a Chinese "Sing Song" girl, otherwise one of a certain class of female, whom they had planned to rob of her jewellery. The Press showed its sense of the revolting character of the crime by abstaining from description of the details, just the plain outline of the case being recorded. It appears that the proprietors of a Chinese theatre or theatres have planned to turn to profit the notoriety which the "Sing-Song Murder" has acquired by reason of the atrociousness of the deed. They do not profess to stage the piece as a warning, and it is as well that they do not make the transparent profession. Without histrionic effects the case stands as a terrible warning. If such plays are the kind of mental pabulum upon which Young China is to be reared, the country is not far on the road to realising the bright destinies that have lately been prefigured for it. For the sake of avoiding the last word in the nauseous it is to be hoped that this repulsive enterprise will be foiled.

DAY BY DAY.

IN PRACTICE THERE IS NO MAN TOLERANT.—*Goethe.*

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The Nippon Yusen Kaisha has issued an effective wall calendar, bearing a Japanese snow scene. It is so arranged as to display a week's dates in bold letters, with three months' details in smaller type.

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A matshed at Saiwanho was last night completely destroyed by fire. About 50 coolies employed by a road contractor were rendered homeless by the outbreak, and they were received for the night into the building of the American Pentecost Mission.

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Captain H. W. W. Hope, C.B., who served some years ago on the China Station and recently gave up the command of the light cruiser Dartmouth on the South America Station, has taken up the duties of naval member of the Ordnance Board. He is a well-known gunnery specialist.

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Whilst taking a fare from Monkok to Laichikok a ricksha coolie was last night set upon by two robbers on the Taipo Road, and relieved of his day's earnings which amounted to a sum of $1.50. He was also divested of his jacket. The passenger who was in his ricksha promptly took to his heels at the onset of the attack.

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The following appointments have been made to the gun-boat flotilla on the Chinese rivers:—Acting-Lieutenant P. G. Gilmore to the Cricket; Acting-Lieutenant C. W. E. Vorlett to the Mantis; Acting-Lieutenant G. D. Stokes to the Cockchafer; Acting-Lieutenant L. P. Lane to the Moth; Acting-Lieutenant C. E. I. Gibbs to the Cicala; Acting-Lieutenant S. F. Mitchell has been posted to the light cruiser Cairo, China Station, and Acting-Lieutenant K. W. B. Hervey has been posted to the light cruiser Colombo, same station.

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Prepared opium, valued at $12,720, was seized by Detective Kelly of the Wanchai Police Station on a junk moored opposite the Central Market yesterday. The stuff was concealed in the forehold. In this connection a Chinese member of the crew was arrested and charged before Mr. G. N. Orme at the Police Court this morning. A little bit of family history was dug up. This showed that the prisoner's mother was at one time an inmate at the gaol for six months for the same offence. The Magistrate thought of banishing the prisoner, but he was informed that that form of penalty could not be imposed as the prisoner was a British subject, being born in the village of Aberdeen. A sentence of twelve months' hard labour was accordingly inflicted.

COUNCIL MEETING.

Agenda for Thursday.

The Legislative Council is to meet on Thursday at 2.30 p.m. the agenda is as follows:—

First reading of a Bill intituled An Ordinance to amend the University Ordinance, 1911.

First reading of a Bill intituled An Ordinance to amend the Volunteer Ordinance, 1920.

Second reading of the Bill intituled An Ordinance to modify certain provisions of the Treaty of Peace Order, 1919, as amended by the Treaty of Peace (Amendment) Order, 1920, for the purpose of adapting the provisions of the circumstances of the Colony of Hongkong.

Second reading of the Bill intituled An Ordinance to modify certain provisions of the Treaty of Peace (Austria) Order, 1920, for the purpose of adapting the provisions of the Order to the circumstaces of the Colony of Hongkong.

Second reading of the Bill intituled An Ordinance to modify certain provisions of the Treaty of Peace (Bulgaria) Order, 1920, for the purpose of adapting the provisions of the Order to the circumstances of the Colony of Hongkong.

LINES FROM LINKCUMDODDIE.

Moderate Minds — A Labour Washout—Scotland Still Sober but Wet—An Income Tax Warning—The Pot and the Kettle—Sixpence per Cackle—The Stomach Blockaded—"From Scenes like these—".

8th Nov., 1920.

Dear S - - ,

For a long time back there's been a byordinar' lot of talk going on in this country—by that I mean Great Britain—leaving Ireland out at the moment, for in *that* shot-up isle they've got past the talking stage. There are three kinds of talkers. First there's the man wi' the legitimate grievance—lots of them—and those grievances should be removed. Next in turn is the man who talks for the sake of talking—lots of them, as well—and who may be left talking. And lastly we have the man whose chief end seems to be the overthrow of the British constitution—he should be hanged offhand without ony more ado. And that's an honest fact.

Try as Reuter could during the past year there was no hiding the family skeleton. Now that the municipal elections are past though, our family bogey is locked up and the key hidden where the neighbours canna' find it. In other words the polls have shown without any possible doubt whatever that Labourism, Extremism, Communism, Sovietism and all the other "isms" of the ilk have got it where Sadie wore the necklace—in the neck. Moderation has won all along the line in municipal, temperance and industrial affairs.

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Aye, when the electoral tap was turned on in England—and—Wales—*and* Scotland last week, Labour, in more places than they now care to remember, experienced a complete washout. Where the elections were conducted on frankly political lines the washout was most thorough. In lots of places Labour has been tried municipally and found a minus quantity. About the only thing ye can run on hot air is a fan, and even that's no' aye a success.

Common-sense, in short, has got the bulge over extremism, as it ever must. For months past there have been many and gloomy prophecies of civil disturbance. But miners' strike and all, the storm has been weathered without serious manace to law and order. Mind ye, this was no' because there were lacking the Bolsheviks, ranging on the fringe of things and hoping, and in some cases trying, to turn the situation to their own ends. Aye, they've been there right enough but the whole secret was that there wasna' enough of them. As I've repeatedly said, it was the noise these rascals made at ordinary times that made folks tend to exaggerate their numbers and importance. The elections have reminded us and them that Labour is still a minority in the land; that the country will no' be pestered wi' fanatics on tap mentally or financially from Moscow and that Labour if it ever hopes to govern must set to and freeze the extremist from its ranks. Ye mind what Abe said eh? "You may fool all of the people some of the time, and some of the people all the time, but you cannot fool all the people all the time." And that's the Gospel truth, mind I'm telling ye.

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One night last summer I stood on the outskirts of a street corner meeting. The man on the soap-box was an Englishman. Ye could tell that by his nerve and voice. His business there was to help to run Scotland "dry." He was earning his pay right enough but no' by the sanity of his argument. I mind find the murderous Turk was held up as an example of what sobriety would bring the Scottish people to. *He didna'* put it that way but that was the thought that remained in my mind after he was done wi' " the sherbert-quaffing, harem-collecting cuss from Constantinople. He said a lot more that I don't even pretend to mind about now, but I aye mind of a wee man at my elbow and his comment just about the finish of the meeting. "Ach, awa' man an' dinna' blether;" says he! "Ye micht as weel try tae dry up the North Sea as try tae dry up Scotland." And he was right as things have turned out. Nearly the whole of Scotland has already voted "dry v. wet" and to say that Scottish Temperance folks are surprised by the people's verdict is to give a mild definition of the situation. The "Pussyfooters," like the other extremists I've been talking about, "also ran." Prohibition good or bad, tolerable or intolerable, practical or impractical, was for the people of Scotland to decide. And they have. Folks that glower at the moon ower long generally end up wi' fa'ing in the midden. That's where "Pussyfoot" is in Scotland the day. He'll need to try a more easily gulled and more complacent people. A winkin' cat's no' aye blin.'

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Aye, the heavy vote in favour of the public-house system in Scotland has astonished no' a few. Because the ministers for once united were almost solid for Prohibition. Some folks see the situation as a challenge to the kirk. Some towns for instance have voted solid for "no change." I wonder what percentage of town's folks attend the kirk even once on a Sunday. In this temperance battle the kirk has no doubt done it's best—but it's a second best at that, which only goes to show that the Church in Scotland as a lever for righteousness is a bit short in the handle. The situation will have caused much searching of hearts among those whose work and hobby it is to labour for the social good. But ye canna' run away from the facts. There's lots of things happening in Scotland that no Scot worthy of the name can see and hear of without causing uneasiness but in these T.N.T. times the line of the least resistance is no' to be despised. Turn the key in the door of every public-house and let the football fields out for sheep grazing and what will follow? Search me. But let me back to Hongkong again first before they start social reform on these lines wi' the country in the unsettled state it is to-day. It'll be much better to read about, even a Reuter's palsied version, than go through on the spot. No, as things are at present, the tavern and sport save men from themselves and help them no' so much to forget as to keep them from thinking until such time as the machinery of the country settles down to run smoothly again. Too much thought in the wrong head is bad for lots of other heads. Let things alone for a bit, says I, for the man at the wheel hasna' a dog's chance if there's a bunch below monkeying wi' the engines.

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The Hongkong public are often up against it. At times if it's no' rain, it's heat, and if it's no' heat, it's mosquitoes and if it's no' that, it's smells, and when it's no' smells, it's noisy flat dweller singing "Bubbles"—or blowing them. I'm no' sure which. Then they've newsless newspapers, dog-shooting policemen, shadowy shroffs, stuffy picturehouses at a dollar a throw to contend wi' in in between. But let every dweller in these parts get down on his bunkers and give thanks to the diety that looks after bairns, drunk men and fools for no' being inflicted wi' the income tax. Let the first governor of Hongkong, who would dare to whisper income tax, even in his sleep, be chased out of the garden forthwith, or see to it that his cook boy is heavily cumshawed instanter that he may introduce arsenic into the gubernatorial soup.

I have two brothers. One was a quarter master sergeant and the other is well-off forbye. But though much younger than me they're both old men afore their time. One of them is a contractor to business when he's no' filling in his income tax papers. Most of his spare time is taken up wi' trying to get a correct assessment notice. By the time he's got it he's done the bulk of the work that a highly paid civil servant is paid to do. He's been before the Sheriff twice already and got warrants against him only to be followed by an apology from some dough-headed inspector. That was last year. This year from the look of things he's got to go the same journey again, wi' the result that he's as cankered as a coo wi' nae horn. *Let this be a warning to ye.* The very first "Pro Bono Publico" that writes about income tax let him be sent for by the police and privately strangled.

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Talking about the police, I see in the papers where a policeman in the midst of giving evidence said "I proceeded to the spot," or words to that effect. This remark drew from the bench the rebuke "Why don't you say you went there? It's much simpler." And so it is. And what's more forbye, it furnishes another sublime instance of the kettle calling the pot a carbonised utensil. The gall of it when you think of it. I like the nerve of some of them pseudo-legal birds that sit in our courts.

Now suppose I were to say "Want a banana, Bill?" and you nodded; all that would happen after would be a quick grab, two mouthfuls and the skin in the W.P.B. But suppose again on the other hand, that I was a careful sort of person, not given to chucking fruit about and I entrusted the transaction to a lawyer what would he do? Ah! now we'll have to be careful over this business. Better have it in writing, copied four times and a photographed copy deposited in the Vaults of the H.K. and S.B. The phraseology would be on these lines: "I hereby give convey invest to you all and singular my estate interests right title claim and advantages of and in the said banana together with all its skin pulp and black spots (if any) and all rights and advantages therein with full power to bite cut chew and or otherwise eat the same and give away the same including black bits (if any) with or without the skin or pulp and anything hereinbefore or hereinafter mentioned in this deed or in any other deeds instrument or instruments of whatever nature or kind whatsoever to the contrary or in any wise notwithstanding." And fancy a man who had been trained among uncharted forests of words like the foregoing, getting on to a poor policeman who may be was only trying to make the bench understand ordinary English.

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There was a somewhat serious attempt at robbery in our town the other day. One of my old friends, the grocer, charged 7.6 for a dozen eggs and a somewhat attenuated paper bag. Fortunately, it was not possible to get away wi' the booty.

Now the egg is again under control. But the maximum price for the fresh variety is higher this year than last, for all that. It would appear that the farther we get away from the war the higher prices should go. Now I'm prepared to believe that there are very good reasons for this. This attitude of mind saves trouble in the long run onyway or the experts would very soon convince us in my case. The spirit of "ca' canny" has probably infected the hens, maybe they are eating more corn and Indian meal, no' to speak of cabbage blades and hot water, costing more than they did twelve months ago. Let that be as it may wi' eggs at 6/- a dozen controlled price, it stands to reason that there'll be plenty at 6/- each, wi' precious few under that figure. That's the beauty of control. In the egg line everything wi' a whole shell, and therefore, approachable, is now 6/- each and maskee the berth certificate or the country of origin. It works out quite-simple, control does, once you understand it. It only needs the money and you can have the eggs.

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Of course America accounts for a lot of our troubles concerning the H.C.L. They're a bad lot, these Americans. At least so the experts say. Time was when the "dryness" of that country was blamed for the high price of sugar. This explanation did duty for quite a while. The same cause made dried fruits jump. Cousin Jonathan was eating a lot more of that kind of stuff. Wicked "wets" from Wyoming however let the cat out of the bag by explaining that a few raisins introduced into the home brew helped to give these otherwise innocuous drinks the desired "kick." Therefore our Christmas puddings will cost us more, See?

There's lots of talk just now about prices falling but it's that kind of fall in the market that has no reflection in the shops. There is a glut in tea they say. If there is, it must be the poorer quality which few will buy. Then take fruit for instance. The difference between barrow prices and shop prices—often as one is to two—is amply accounted for by rates and rents. And so on throughout the range of foodstuffs, controlled and uncontrolled. But one thing is certain, beyond certain limits no one can boycott his stomach. If some things which enter into the cost of living are too dear it is possible to make what you have do for a little longer. A month can be added to the lifetime of a pair of boots but the same performance cannot be repeated wi' a loaf of bread. That's where the retailer gets you by the short hairs. Aye, if it werena' for the belly the back wad wear gold. It takes the average man wi' the average wage just all his time to to keep from being hungry these days.

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LINES FROM LINKCUMDODDIE.

(Continued from Page 6.)

But I must tell ye about Wullie Gallacher. You don't know Wullie Gallacher. He's some lad is Wullie and newly back from Soviet Russia. I heard him speaking the other night in one of our large halls to about two thousand of his "fellow-workers." At least that's what he called them. Having been refused a passport, he explained that he travelled to Norway as a stowaway among the coals. He harangued his audience for two hours all but five minutes. A lot of his argument consists of bringing a direct and forceful connection between the right fist and the left palm. He gets excited at times and when he does, the reporters give it up as a bad job and simply state "Mr. Gallacher spoke at length." He told us all about the miners' strike, the unemployed and Russia in a whirlwind of words and at a speed that often produced incoherence. Wullie is a communist and a social reformer. I once knew a social reformer. He didna' believe in marriage. His idea was that a woman ought to earn half the income, pay half the rent and have and keep the children. But Wullie didna' say onyway about that. He's maybe married for all I know. If he is he'll know different onyway. Wullie says that Russia is starving because of the British blockade and the economic boycott. He also said the miners were on strike because we had not made peace wi' Soviet Russia. I always thought myself it was because they wanted a two bob rise. But let that be as it may. In one breath Wullie said that Russia had wonderful foundries and if Britain had only sent Russia agricultural implements and transport cars she would have a bit over into the bargain. I wonder what they make in foundries, onyway. Of course it would never occur to a Bolshevik to save his own country by making his own agricultural implements. The organisation of the Communist party in Russia, Wullie said, was perfect, only they hadna' enough to eat. But he had a cure. Only by housing the Red Banner of Communism, he said, can we ever get rid of poverty and misery. Well, from all accounts there seem to be plenty of turkey red blankets flaunting the breeze in Russia and yet on the other hand everybody does'na seem to be having too good a time. But maybe I don't understand it quite. May be we'd be better off in this country if the butchers started in to boil the bishops, disembowel the brewers and pass our M. P.'s through a steam bacon-slicer. There's no telling, you know. And for that matter my old grandmother used to swear by red flannel, especially when made up into petticoats.

A collarless young man whose only charm was attached to his watchchain and who in his excitement gave similtaneously a speech and an acrobatic performance submitted a resolution of congratulation to the workers and "Red" armies of Russia. The resolution was carried. So was the young man and Wullie—out by the Police, and I come away quick. A free ride in an ambulance never appealed to me.

"From scenes like these auld Scotia's grandeur springs."

Yours etc.,

R. McW.

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How many babies wake up just about the mother's bed-time and keep her busy for a good part of the night. The mother may not see anything apparently the matter with the child, but she may depend upon it that when baby is cross and sleepless there is something wrong, and the little one is taking the only means he has of telling it.

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The Banque Industrielle de Chine beg to inform the holders of the temporary bonds of the Credit National 1919, which have been subscribed through them, that same must be exchanged in their Paris Office for definite bonds before March 1921.

AN ISLANDER'S DIARY.

(By "Ajax.")

The Committee of the War Memorial must be complimented on adopting the suggestion that I threw out a fortnight ago that the institute that was desired to commemorate those who had fallen in the Great War should be called by its proper name. To have named it a Y.M.C.A. would have been a gross error for it would not be a Y.M.C.A. in the sense that we have been accustomed to knowing these institutions. "War Memorial Institute" is certainly a proper appellation, and should please every one. It is not quite clear what is meant by the announcement that the Institute will be run "on Y.M.C.A. lines." Is that to mean that there will be a leavening of religion in the affair, or that the management will be vested in one who has had experience of Y. M. C. A. work? I almost think that the Committee of the War Memorial Institute do not know themselves exactly what is meant by "Y. M. C. A. lines." A little enlightenment will oblige.

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The farewell dinner given at the Kam Ling Restaurant at West Point to Mr. N. J. Stabb, the retiring General Manager of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, by the Chinese bankers and merchants last night was a great success as such functions go. In point of the number of the company that assembled it was a fairly representative one, the guests taking their places under the chairmanship of Sir Robert Ho Tung. The after-dinner speeches were like the curate's egg—good in parts; in fact very good in one part, which was the speech of Mr. M. K. Lo, who is always well received, and who spoke with grace and culture. Mr. Stabb, for the first time, I think, in public, threw away much of his habitual reserve and seemed to be fired with the thoughts which the occasion induced in him. He was loudly cheered when he expressed his great faith in the future of this fair island. Only a consummate master could have succeeded in piloting the Bank during the trying years of the Great War through the dangers of banking disasters. His experience has all along been a valuable acquisition to the Government on the Executive Council.

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It will interest the local residents to know that Sir Matthew Nathan has already made a great impression in Queensland, as Governor of that place. Sir Matthew comes of a family which, one would imagine, holds a record. Four of his brothers have received the knighthood for public service. There is Sir Frederick, Sir Robert, Sir Matthew, and Sir Edward. There is another who is General Manager of the Kailan Mining Administration, Major Nathan. Like his brother, Sir Matthew, Major Nathan is a hardened soldier. Sir Matthew has forty years of unremitting national service to his credit, and few public servants can boast of such an illustrious record. He had proceeded from the Governorship of Hongkong to a similar stately position in Natal, and had never been allowed to remain idle while there was an imperial problem to solve. At a dinner given to him in London before his departure to Queensland, a speaker remarked that he had made "bridges in his cradle and governed in the nursery". His had been a sort of imperial Pilgrim's Progress, the conditions becoming more and more salubrious, until he had achieved what was for him the Paradise of Queensland. It was Sir Robert Nathan who first evolved the scheme for the Dacca University in the year 1912. Sir Robert acted as chairman of twenty-four committees and produced a most admirable report which had served as the basis of the Dacca University scheme.

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For some years local stores have been systematically robbed, and up till now our wide-awake Police have not succeeded in tracking the robbers. The question is a very serious one indeed, and proprietors of stores carrying valuable and expensive articles are living in dread lest one fine morning, when they go to open their stores, they will find that they have been burgled the previous night. I am almost certain that the criminal operating on our stores is a foreigner. Almost everything points to that, and the sooner our Police work on this theory the better will it be for the whole community. The other day we read of how a motor car was spirited away from the Colony. It is my belief that the criminal is in our midst, and I verily belief that he has agents abroad. The clever way in which our stores have been burgled in the past convinces me that a master criminal is working here, and if the Police look round they may probably light upon the suspect. Can it be possible that the enormous amount of jewellery that has been stolen in recent times in the Colony may be finding their way to other countries? I simply ask that question. The Detective Department could do much in unearthing this mystery. The game has been played too long with signal success, and it is time we bagged the rascal.

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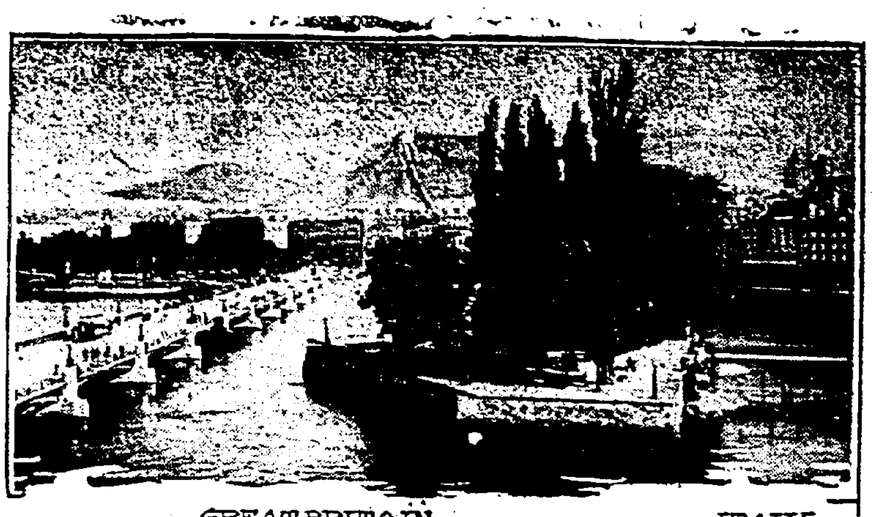
A FRENCH HERO.

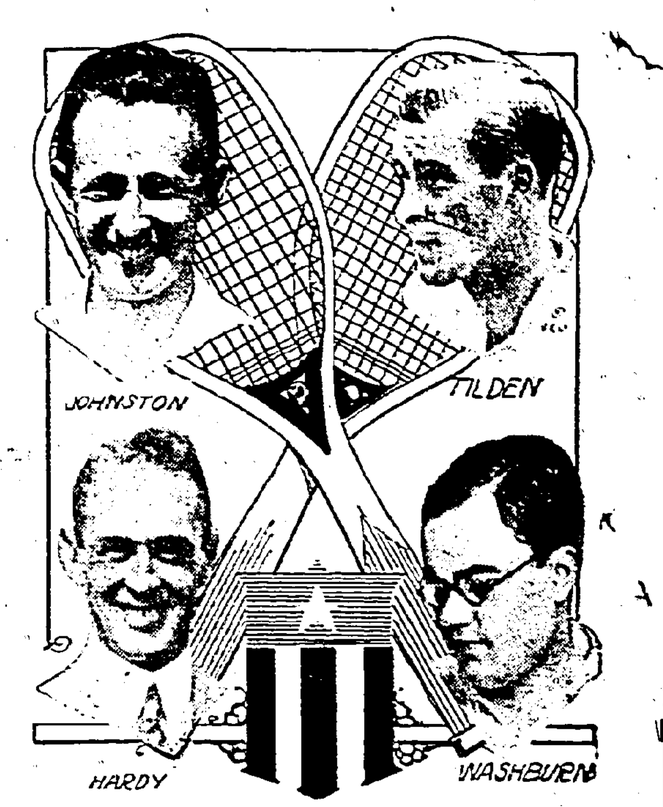
The hero of Verdun, who has been visiting America to take part, in behalf of France, in the centenary of the landing of the Mayflower.



GREAT BRITAIN

GENEVA AND LEAGUE DELEGATES.

Above is a view of Geneva, where the Assembly of the League of Nations is meeting; while below are some of the principal League delegates.



DAVIS CUP PLAYERS.

The members of the American Davis Cup team, who recently left for Australia.

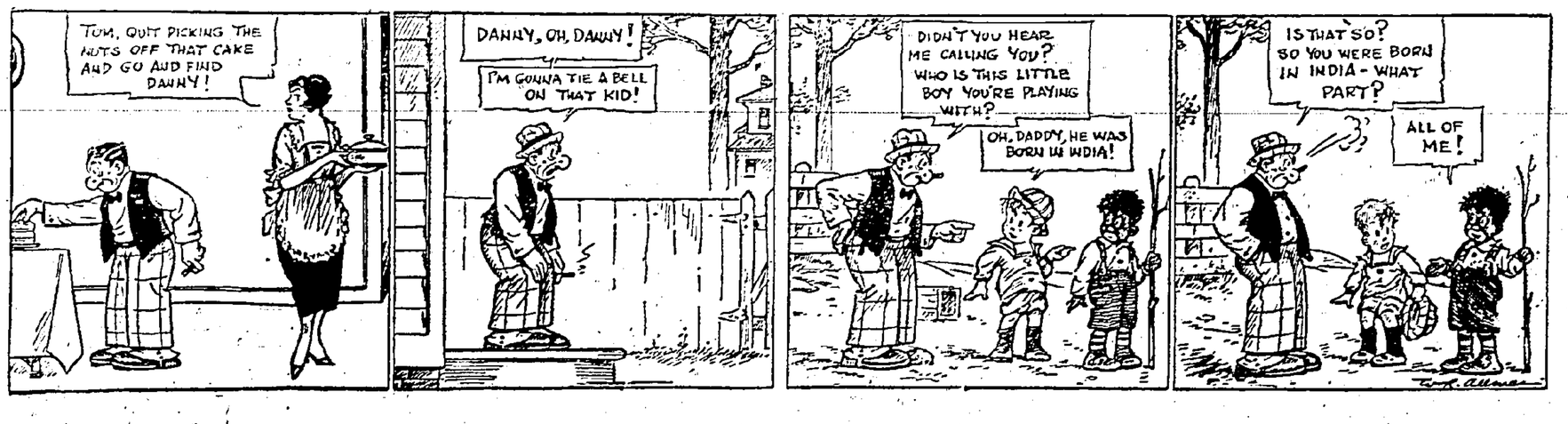
THE SMILE OF SUCCESS.

Samuel Riddle, of Philadelphia, owner of the famous horse, Man-o'-War, and Jockey Clarence Kummer, with the gold cup, won by the great racer when he defeated Sir Barton at Windsor, Ontario.

FOR CABINET POST.

Lillian Wald, Head of the Henry Street Settlement of N.Y., who will probably head the new Department for Public Welfare contemplated by President-elect Harding.

DOINGS OF THE DUFFS. He's a One-Piece Guy. BY ALLMAN.



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ADVENTURES OF THE TWINS.

WIGGILY WORM'S TRICK.

"No," said Wiggily Worm to Mr. Tingaling, the fairyman landlord "I don't expect you to rent me a brand-new apple-house in May, but I don't think you ought to expect much rent for an old, last year's apple like the one I am living in now. Mr. Ant, what do you think about it?"

Mr. Ant, who had stepped in for a mug of cider and a nibble of apple-seed cake, looked very wise. "Well," said he gazing around the walls and ceiling which had turned quite brown, "I always believe in a compromise."

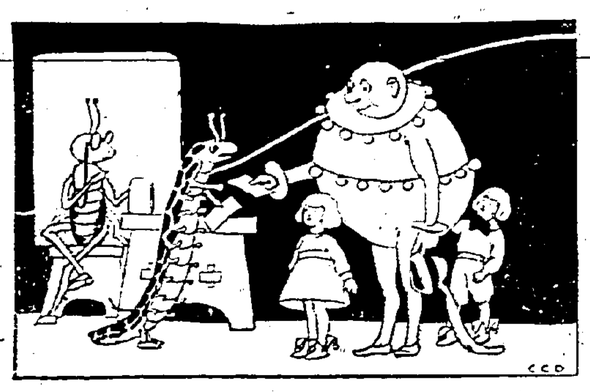
"A compro what?" cried everybody, including Nancy and Nick who were listening to every word.

"A compromise," repeated Mr. Ant. "That means that everybody agrees to something."

"What would you suggest?" asked Tingaling.

Mr. Ant blinked his eyes. "How would this do? Let my friend, Mr. Worm here, pay half his rent to you, and you pay half to him."

Tingaling scratched his head in a puzzled way. "It's a bit queer," he said, "but it sounds fair enough. Here you are, Wiggily. Here's my half. Now give me yours."



Wiggily handed it right over before you could sneeze and pocketed Tingaling's share before you could sneeze twice.

Wiggily handed it right over before you could sneeze, and pocketed Tingaling's share before you could sneeze twice.

"That's settled," remarked the fairyman, much pleased. "Mr. Ant, you must be a lawyer to give such good advice."

"By no means," answered Mr. Ant sipping his cider, "only I like to see everybody get fair play."

Tingaling and the twins said good-bye then, and bowed themselves out. It wasn't until half-past midnight that Tingaling, not being able to sleep, began to count things up. Suddenly it dawned on him that Wiggily hadn't given him any rent at all!

"Oh, very well, Mr. Worm," he exclaimed in the dark. "Next time I'll rent you the greenest apple I own, and if you and your friend don't need a doctor, I'm a Chinaman."

(To be continued to-morrow.)

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(Opening Rate: closing Rate on Page 11.

SELLING.

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Demand	3/1 5/16
30 d/s	3/1 5/16
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T/T Shanghai	Nom.
T/T Singapore	133
T/T Japan	110
T/T India	Nom.
Demand, India	Nom.
T/T San Francisco & New York	54⅛
T/T Java	159½
T/T Marks	Nom.
T/T Francs	9.10
Demand, Paris	—

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30 d/s. San Francisco & New York	55⅛
4 m/s. Marks	Nom.
4 m/s. Francs	9.70
6 m/s. Francs	9.90
Demand, Germany.	
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Demand, Calcutta	—
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L. S. HOLUM,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 2nd October, 1920.

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12.30 " to 12.30 p.m.	"	10 mins.
12.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.	"	15 mins.
6.30 " to 9.00 p.m.	"	15 mins.
9.00 " to 9.30 p.m.	"	10 mins.

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9.30 p.m.	to 11.30 p.m.	every 30 minutes
11.45 p.m.		

SATURDAYS.
EXTRA CAR 12.00 midnight

SUNDAYS.

7.30 a.m.	to 11.30 a.m.	Every 15 mins.
8.00 a.m.	to 11.00 a.m.	" 15 mins.
10.30 a.m.	to 12.00 noon	" 15 mins.
11.30 a.m.	to 12.00 noon	" 15 mins.
12.00 noon	to 1.00 p.m.	" 15 mins.
1.00 p.m.	to 5.30 p.m.	" 15 mins.
5.30 p.m.	to 6.00 p.m.	" 10 mins.
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Tango M.	N. Y. K.	Dec. 22
Gorontalo	J. C. J. L.	Dec. 22
Demodocus	B. & S.	Dec. 24
Eurana	S. & D.	Dec. 25
Katori M.	N. Y. K.	Dec. 26
Alchiba	J. C. J. L.	Dec. 26
Delight	F. W. Co.	Dec. 27
W. Cactus	S. & D.	Dec. 27
Awa M.	N. Y. K.	Dec. 28
Tanda	P. & O.	Dec. 29
Iyo M.	N. Y. K.	Dec. 29
Nagano M.	N. Y. K.	Dec. 29
Romeo	B. L.	Dec. 30
Siberia M.	T. K. K.	Dec. 31
St. Albans	P. & O.	Dec. 31
Tyndareus	B. & S.	Dec. 31
Sicilia	P. & O.	Jan. 1
Crosskeys	A. L.	Jan. 1
Montague	A. L.	Jan. 1
Taiyuan	B. & S.	Jan. 2
Bolton C.	D. & Co.	Jan. 6
C. of Agra	B. L.	Jan. 7
Atsuta M.	N. Y. K.	Jan. 7
Rhesus	B. & S.	Jan. 7
Bremen	P. & O.	Jan. 10
Tydeus	B. & S.	Jan. 10
W. Jester	F. W. Co.	Jan. 10
Hector	B. L.	Jan. 11
Machaon	B. & S.	Jan. 11
Dilwara	P. & O.	Jan. 11
Nanking	C. M. Co.	Jan. 12
Hwah Ping	C. A. Co.	Jan. 13
Laomedon	B. & S.	Jan. 13
Tenyo M.	T. K. K.	Jan. 14
Kiyo M.	T. K. K.	Jan. 15
Euran	S. & D.	Jan. 15
Tsuruga M.	N. Y. K.	M. Jan.
Glentara	J. M. Co.	Jan. 18
Banca	P. & O.	Jan. 18
Bellerophon	B. & S.	Jan. 19
Eastern	P. & O.	Jan. 19
Tajima M.	N. Y. K.	Jan. 20
Esther D.	R. D. Co.	Jan. 20
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Oanfa	B. & S.	Jan. 25
Kashima M.	N. Y. K.	Jan. 26

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Tokushima M.	N. Y. K.	Dec. 22
Luchow	B. & S.	Dec. 22
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Loksang	J. M. Co.	Dec. 22
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Chaksang	J. M. Co.	Dec. 23
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Hangsang	J. M. Co.	Dec. 23
Samarang M.	D. & Co.	Dec. 23
Kaga M.	N. Y. K.	Dec. 24
Haiyang	J. C. J. L.	Dec. 24
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Kumsang	J. M. Co.	Dec. 24
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Chenan	B. & S.	Dec. 25
Katsu M.	N. Y. K.	Dec. 26
Plassy	P. & O.	Dec. 26
Kaifong	B. & S.	Dec. 26
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Suiyang	B. & S.	Dec. 28
Dilwara	P. & O.	Dec. 29
Yeboshi M.	N. Y. K.	Dec. 30
Eastern	P. & O.	Jan. 4
Pilsna	D. & Co.	Jan. 7
Yokohama M.	N. Y. K.	Jan. 7
Rangoon M.	N. Y. K.	Jan. 11
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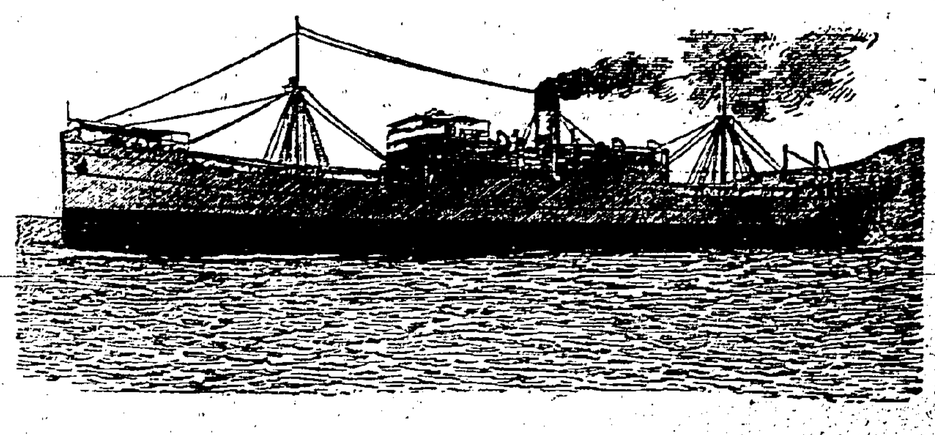

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S'HAI & T'tau via S'tow	Hangsang	Thur., 23rd Dec. at d'light.
SHANGHAI & Kobe	Kumsang	Fri., 24th Dec. at d'light.
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SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	Chenan	...25th Dec. at 4 p.m.
H'HOW, P'HOI & H'PHONG	Kaifong	...26th Dec. at 10 a.m.
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The N. Y. K. s.s. YOKOHAMA M. (European Line.) left London, for this port via Suez, on the 27th Nov. and is expected here on the 6th January.

The R. M. S. MONTEAGLE left Vancouver for Hongkong, via Japan ports, Shanghai on the 29th Nov., and is due here on or about the 26th December.

The T. K. K. s.s. SIBERIA M. arrived at Yokohama on the 5th instant and sailed on the 9th instant, being due at this port December 22nd.

The N. Y. K. s.s. KOTSU M. (Calcutta Line.) left Calcutta for this port via Singapore on the 7th Dec. and is expected here on the 25th Dec.

The R. M. S. EMPRESS OF JAPAN, left Vancouver for Hongkong, via Japan ports, Shanghai on the 7th December, and is due here on or about the 29th December.

The s.s. MATTAWA, left Vancouver for Hongkong, via Japan ports, Shanghai and Manila, on the 10th December and is due at Yokohama on or about the 4th January.

The s.s. PROTESILAUS (Blue Funnel Line) left Suez on 10th December for Hongkong and is due here on 5th January.

The s.s. SCHODACK left New York for Hongkong via ports Nov. 13th and is expected here Jan. 10th, 1921.

The s.s. HECTOR (Blue Funnel Line) left Singapore on 16th inst. for Hongkong and is due here on 23rd December 7 a.m.

The s.s. SAMARANG MARU has left Kobe and is due to arrive here on the 22nd inst. (Dodwell & Co., Agents).

The s.s. DELIGHT, from Seattle & Japan left Manila for this port on the 19th instant, and may be expected to arrive here on the 22nd December at daylight.

The s.s. ANCHISES, (Blue Funnel Line) left Suez on 13th inst. for Hongkong and is due on 8th January.

The R. M. S. EMPRESS OF RUSSIA, arrived at Shanghai, on 19th Dec., left there 19th Dec., and is due at Nagasaki on the 20th Dec.

The N. Y. K. s.s. IYO MARU (European Line.) left Kobe for this port via Moji and Shanghai on the 19th Dec. and is expected here on the 28th December.

The N. Y. K. s.s. SANUKI M. (Calcutta Line.) left Calcutta for this port via Singapore on the 18th December and is expected here on the 2nd January.

The s.s. RHESUS (Blue Funnel Line) left Singapore on 19th inst. for Hongkong and is due here on 25th inst.

The s.s. MONTAGUE left Portland, Ore, for Hongkong via ports Nov. 18th and is expected here January 1st 1921.

The s.s. CROSSKEYS left Seattle, Wash., for Hongkong via ports Nov. 18th and is expected here January 1st 1921.

The s.s. SATSUMA left New York for Hongkong via ports Nov. 21st and is expected here January 15th, 1921.

UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

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The following Unclaimed Telegrams are lying here:—

Lifung, from Shanghai.
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Chindu, from Amoy.
Teekechiang, from Amoy.
Chiuhing, 46 Bonham Road, from Peking.
Kobunkwan, 167 Middle Road, from Tokyo.
Mrs. Winton, Hongkong Hotel from Kobe.
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N. LUND.
Act. Superintendent
Hongkong, Dec. 16, 1920.

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Superintendent,
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NOTICES.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph."

Banks and Brokers.

Sir,—As President of the Hongkong Exchange Brokers' Association, I take strong exception to the remarks made by "Mercator" in your issue of this date.

Had he wished to comment on a subject that is entirely a matter between the Banks and the Exchange Brokers' Association it would have been better for him to have interviewed the President of the Association first. Had he done so, those curious comments would not have appeared in print.

Yours etc.
E. ORMISTON.
Hongkong, Dec. 20, 1920.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

Xmas Day Match.

The public is reminded of the Rugby Match to be played on the H.K. Football Club Ground at 4 p.m. on Xmas Day between England and The Rest, from teams selected from Navy, Army and H.K.F. Club. The teams will be as follows:

England, (in white).—J. W. Alabaster (Club); Sub-Lt. Watkinson (H. M. S. Curlew) Corpl. Smith (H. M. S. Curlew) Sub-Lt. Freeman (H. M. S. Alacrity) and Lt. Beaven (Army); Lt. Everson (Army) and Lt. Clarke (H.M.S. Titania); Lt. Gilbert (H. M. S. Titania) A. K. Cobb, A. G. Lamplugh J. S. McCann (Club) Capt. Blegg, Lts. Doddington Serjeant and Mortimer (Army).

The Rest.—(Colours) E.R.A. Reed (H.M.S. Titania); Capt Tomeroy, Capt. Murray (Army) Midm. Cook, Lt. Bain (H.M.S. Hawkins); V.G. Smyth (Club), Lt. Davis (Army); J. Ralston, V.G. Baxter, H.C. Macnamara (Club) Capt. Bristow (Army) Lt. Carrie (H.M.S. Titania) Lt. Austell, Sub-Lt. Thyne (H.M.S Ambrose) and Lt. Laughton (H.M.S. Hawkins.)

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POST OFFICE.

The U.S. Postal Administration have made arrangements for the transmission of unregistered commercial mail-matter destined for New York, Boston, Chicago, Philadelphia, Seattle, San Francisco & Portland by aeroplane from Victoria B.C. to Seattle. Commercial correspondence from Hongkong addressed to firms in these cities will be so forwarded if superscribed "Seaplane Service Victoria-Seattle." This only applies to mails forwarded to the U.S. via Victoria B.C.

Telegraphic communication with Gap Rock Lighthouse is interrupted.

INWARD MAILS.

Shanghai—Per CHENAN, 22nd Dec.
U.S.A. & Manila—Per SIBERIA MARU, 22nd Dec.
Manila—Per DELIGHT, 22nd Dec.
Europe via Negapatam (Letters only)—Per KUMSANG, 22nd Dec.

OUTWARD MAILS.

To-morrow.

*Swatow *Shanghai & *N. China—Per HANG SANG, 5 p.m.
Shanghai & N. China—Per KWONGTAH, 10 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per HAILOONG, 11 a.m.
Swatow and Bangkok—Per LUCHOW, 8 a.m.
Ibilo, Australia, & New Zealand via Thursday Islands—Per ST. ALBANS, Reg. 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai & N. China—Per KOONSANG, 11 a.m.
Haibow & Haiphong—Per LAKSANG, 9 a.m.
Philippine Islands, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island—Per TANGO M., Reg. 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.

*Correspondence bearing vessels' name only.

SHIPPING.

VESSELS ARRIVED.

The Blue Funnel ALXINOUS arrived at 2.30 p.m. yesterday from Liverpool with 722 tons of general merchandise for the Colony and 3,416 tons for the North. She carried 220 deck passengers from Singapore.—Mooring Holt's Wharf

The s.s. ST. ALBANS arrived yesterday afternoon from Melbourne with 1,054 tons of cargo for the North.—Mooring A 2.

CLEARANCES AND DEPARTURES.

The HAICHOW left at 3 p.m. to-day for Manila with 2,000 tons.

The LUCHOW departed for Bangkok at 9 a.m. with 300 tons.

The LOKSANG sailed at 10 a.m. to-day for Haiphong with 300 tons.

The s.s. INNAMINCKA, whose agents are Messrs. H. M. H. Nemazee, sailed at 2 p.m. to-day for Singapore with 990 tons.

The TJIKIMI left at 1 p.m. for Batavia via Banka with 1,300 tons of through cargo.

The SUMATRA M. departed at 5 p.m. to-day for New Orleans with 800 tons.

The DEWAWONGSEE took yesterday to Saigon 500 tons.

The ST. ALBANS leaves at noon to-morrow for Melbourne with 600 tons.

METEOROLOGICAL.

	Previous Day at 2 p.m.	on date. at 8 a.m.	on date. at 2 p.m.
Barometer	30.04	30.05	29.93
Temperature	63	62	65
Humidity	69	72	52
Wind Direction	E.	E.	E.
Wind Force	3	3	3
Weather	o	o	o
Rain	0.00	0.00	0.00

Highest open air Temperature on the 20th 63
Lowest open air Temperature on the 21th 62

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.
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"MYSTERY OF 13"
Episodes 10, 11 & 12.

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20th to 26th Dec. 1920.

	Sun Rises	Sun Sets	High Water Hongkong Mean Time	Height	Low Water Hongkong Mean Time	Height
	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
Mon. 20	m 3 57a	5.0	m 1 36	3.0		
	5 27 a	6.1				
Tues. 21	m 5 56	4.8	m 0 12	5.4		
	5 56a	6.7	11 42	3.1		
Wed. 22	m 6 44	4.8	m 1 12	2.7		
	6 54a	7.3	m 11 59	3.2		
Thur. 23	m 7 53	4.7	m 2 0	1.9		
	7 14a	7.8	0 42a	3.2		
Fri. 24	m 8 51	4.7	m 2 44	1.2		
	7 56a	8.2	1 27a	3.1		
Sat. 25	m 9 46	4.7	m 3 27	0.7		
	8 41a	8.6	2 14a	3.0		
Sun. 26	m 10 40	4.8	m 4 10	0.6		
	9 28a	8.5	3 2a	3.1		

m morning, a. afternoon.

TO-DAY'S SHARE QUOTATIONS.

OFFICIAL PRICES.

Banks.		
H.K. & S. Bank	b.	770
East Asia	b.	133
Marine Insurances.		
Cantons	b.	370
North Chinas	n.	t. 153
Unions	b.	213
Yangtszes	n.	33
Far Easterns	n.	t. 20
Fire Insurances.		
China Fires	b.	125
H. K. Fires	n.	318
Shipping.		
Douglases	n.	62½
H.K. Steamboats	b.	24½
Indos (Pref.)	b.	22
Indo Def. Lon/Reg.	s.	210
Indo Def. H K. Reg.	n.	190
Shells	n.	120/-
Ferries	s.	24½
Refineries.		
Sugars	b.	208
Malabons	b	50
Mining.		
Kaitans	b.	100/-
Langkats		
Shanghai Loans / S'hai Explorations	b.	t. 13¼
Raubs	n.	1
Tronchs	n.	25/-
Ural Caspians	s.	19/-
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.		
H.K. Wharves	b.	92½
K. Docks	n.	159½
S'hai Dooks	n.	t. 116
N. Engineerings	n.	t. 23½
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.		
Centrals	n.	120
H.K. Hotels	b.	150
H.K. Lands	n.	127
H'phreys Est.	b.	8¼
K'loon Lands	s.	42
L. Reclamations	n.	140
West Points	b.	55
Cotton Mills.		
Ewos	b.	t. 360
Kung Yiks	b.	t. 40
Lau Kung Mows	n.	—
Orientals	b.	t. 16½
S'hai Cottons	b.	t. 110
Yangtszepoos	b.	t. 25
Miscellaneous.		
Cements	n.	9.55
Do. Light old	b.	8
China Light new	b.	6
China Providents	b.	7.90
Dairy Farms	n.	22
Electrics H.K.	b	18½
Electrics Macao	n.	30
Hongkong Ropes	b.	22½
Hk. Tramways	n.	7½
Peak Trams, old	b.	7½
Do. new	b.	75 cts.
Steam Laundries	b.	4¼
Steel Foundries	n.	10
Water-boats	b.	16
Watsons	b.	7.90
Wm. Powells	b.	18
Wisemans	b.	31

Hongkong, Dec. 21, 1920.

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